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AXIS MAY ORDER TROOP WITHDRAWAL AT STALINGRAD

Many Temporary Increases In Allowable Sugar Inventory Granted In Early Fall Canning Period Are Not Yet Adjusted

ELTON RIGGS, CHAIRMAN OF THE COLLIN COUNTY WAR PRICE AND RATIONING BOARD, SAYS WHOLESALE AND RETAIL GROCERS MUST MAKE THIS ADJUSTMENT AT EARLIEST POSSIBLE CONVENIENCE.

Many temporary increases in lowable sugar inventory which ere granted to wholesale and etail grocers during the sumer and early fall canning peril have not yet been adjusted, though that was supposed to be one by November 1. Elton iggs, Chairman of the Collin ounty War Price and Rationing oard, reported today. "All such holesale and retail grocers must ake this adjustment at the arliest possible moment, where bvious hardships will not reult," Mr. Riggs said.

"Cases which would result in ardship by reason of such adustment will be refered by the oard to the District OPA Office," Mr. Riggs added, "and the rm involved should make a tatement in writing explaining ully any circumstances justifying gcontinuance of such unusual inventory."

Requests by wholesale grocers for a permanent allowable sugar inventory have to be submitted by the Board to the State office for individual consideration by the OPA office in Washington, he explained. These applications also must state full particulars upon which an application for a permanent increase in inventory is made and must carry the local Board's recommendation.

"The State OPA Office has advised us that petitions properly prepared will be forwarded to Washington," Mr. Riggs said, "but it is a reasonably well-defined policy that only under certain conditions, such as those applying to wholesalers who may not be able to avail themselves of pool car and stop-off privileges, can favorable action be expected."

Bombardiers To Be Tripled

United States Army Bombardiers Will Be Tripled At Midland Flying School.

Here's some news that bodes ill or the Axis. The output of U. S. rmy bombardiers will be tripled ecember 17. This announcement omes from the Midland AAF ombardier School, one of three uge schools in Western Texas or training the men who drop he bombs on Axis cities.

Heretofore, the Midland school as been splitting its graduates very three weeks in relatively mall detachments for duty with . S. forces all over the world. ut on Dec. 17 three schools will ass out diplomas to large gradating groups. Brig. Gen. Isaiah Davies of Midland will award ommissions and wings to Midand's 12th class. At the same ime. Colonel Sam L. Ellis will be raduating the first class from he Big Spring AAF Bombardier chool. And Col. Geo. K. Palner will be conferring official lessings on the San Angelo rmy Flying School's initial graduates.

Statistics of the vast bombarier training area which can be ade public give an inkling of he scope of Uncle Sam's precision bombing plans. The Midland chool's target ranges are spread ver an area larger than that of ew Jersey, San Angelo's ranges re approximately the same size. nd Big Spring bombardiers also oar over a huge tract of target and. Together, the ranges of the hree schools almost equal the rea of Germany proper.

Christmas Letter 2,000 Years Old On Radio Program

Edwin C. Hill is to read a leter written almost 2,000 years go on his Tuesday 5:15 KRLDCBS "Human Side of the News" rogram.

If authentic, it bears positive vidence of Christ's personal apearance in a precise description f Him nowhere else available.

Research into the background f the letter revealed that Emeror Tiberius stationed an oficer in Jerusalem to report to he Roman senate on all newsworthy happenings in the Roman rovince of Judea. This accounts or the contents of the missive. written presumably in the ascendancy of the Christ as a pubic figure and one to bear watchng by Rome.

Hill is indebtedto his friend, ames Bone, veteran British uthor and journalist, for bringng word of the existence of the ld Roman letter to his attention.

Charley O'Neil, son of Mr. and Mrs. James O'Neil, North Church treet, has returned to Camp anon, where he is stationed after a visit to his parents here.

Cotton

Cotton sold on the McKinney market today from 14 to 19 cents per pound.

Cotton seed are bringing $45.00 per ton on the local market.

McKinney Young Man Promoted To Rank Of Captain

Aubrey Vaughn Hamilton Is Son Of Mr. And Mrs. Aubrey Hamilton Of McKinney.

Friends in McKinney will be pleased to learn that Aubrey Vaughn Hamilton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Hamilton of McKinney, has been promoted from First Lieutenant To Captain at Washington, D. C., where he is located. He has been there fifteen months in the office of the chief of Chemical Warfare.

Captain Hamilton, before he entered the service, was connected with the Repauno Works, of the DuPonts, in Griffstown, New Jersey, and has been invited to a program when that company will receive the coveted "E" award. Men from that plant, in the military service, have been invited to the program.

City Commission Holds Meeting

A two hour session of the City Commission was held Monday, when much of the city's business was attended to, and affairs for the year 1942 practically wound up. Present at the session were Mayor Tom W. Perkins and Commissioners J. H. Snapp and Lyman Robinson; City Secretary G. Frank Wolford; Chief of Police Ed Blakeman and City Attorney Henry C. Miller.

Following the usual custom the city labor for Christmas Day will be dispensed with in order that city employes may observe the holiday with their loved ones and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Thomas have returned to their home in Alice, Texas, after a visit here with Mrs. Thomas sister, Mrs. Walker V. Jordon and family.

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Hon. E. W. Merritt who has been ill the past few days at his home on Waddill Street, remains about the same. His many friends hope that he may soon show improvement.

Mrs. T. R. Fondren of Waxahacie arrived Tuesday for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. J. O. Nelson and family. Friday they will go to Oklahoma City to spend Christmas Day with relatives.

Celina Boy, On Bataan, When It Fell, Is Alive

Jack Dudley Wilson, known to his friends at Celina as Dudley, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Wilson, who until this year lived three or four miles from Celina in the Alla Community, but, who now live a mile Southeast of Weston on Route 1, Anna, was on Bataan when it fell to the Japs last February, and not a word had been heard from him or as to what became of him until last Thanksgiving day, Nov. 26, which proved to be a day of real thanksgiving.

On that day Sergeant. Wilson's wife, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Hondlenk of Shreveport, Louisiana, placed a call to Capt. Damon J. Gause, of Wilder Ga., influenced to do so by the fact that a Shreveport woman who wrote the President and General Douglas MacArthur in regard to a missing relative had been referred to Capt. Gause, who had been captured by the Japanese when Bataan fell and had escaped and made his way through enemy-patrolled waters to Australia and was on Thanksgiving day at home in Wilder on furlough. Capt. Gause informed Mrs. Wilson that her husband was in a Japanese prison and was well and being fairly weil treated.

The telephone conversation brought also the glad news that Sergeatn Wilson's buddy, Sergeant, Malcolm Ernest of Berry, Ala., with whom he had been since he began training, was taken prisoner along with Wilson and was also held in the Jap prison. Earnest's wife lives in Shreveport and is a friend of Wilson's wife, the friendship dating back before their marriage 8 days apart a year or two since. Both are employed in Shreveport, Mrs. Wilson as cashier of the Arkansas aNtural Gas company and Mrs. Ernest by the Southwestern Bell Telephone company.—Celina Record.

1943 AAA Farm Program Is Geared To War Says J. B. Mooney, ACA Sec'y

MAXIMUM PRODUCTION FROM AMERICA'S WARTIME AGRICULTURAL PLANT IS THE BASIC OF THE PROGRAM.

Maximum production from America's wartime agricultural plant is the basis of the 1943 A. A. A. program, according to J. B. Mooney, Collin County ACA Secretary.

The major change in the program is that no erosion resisting (government take out) acreage is required in order to comply for payments. Collin County farmers desiring to comply with the 1943 program may plant within the cotton and wheat acreage allotments for the farm and the balance of the cropland may be planted to any crop they desire. However for full compliance at least 90 percent of the cotton and wheat allotments must be planted to cotton and wheat respectively. Farmers failing to plant at least 90 percent of their allotments to cotton and wheat may substitute other crops acre for acre on the underplanted acreage and off-set any penalties that might be made against payments to the farm. Crops that may be substituted are corn, oats, barley, grain sorghums, soybeans, winter peas for seed and vetch for seed. The substituted acreage must be in adidtion to that normally grown in these crops.

Payments will also be made for carrying out approved soil building practices, such as constructing terraces and water reservoirs according to specifications, turning green manure crops, and others that will be announced later.

Mr. Mooney states that individual farm plan sheets will be signed up by Collin County farmers for the 1943 operations, in January. Each farmer in the county will be expected to fill out a planning sheet with the assistance of community committeemen.

(An Editorial)

OUR WISH FOR YOU.

The Daily Courier-Gazette and the Weekly Democrat-Gazette take this opportunity to wish their many friends, patrons and subscribers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

This Christmas season, as last, finds America engaged in war with a cruel, relentless foe. Americans have had a year of conflict in which to become thoroughly familiar with the tactics of their foes. This year has made them more determined than ever to crush that foe with all the strength they can muster.

Perhaps, at first thought, the expression "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year" seems out of place. And there are reasons for that belief. However, the morale of the nation at home must be kept up in these perilous times and it is our honest opinion that the boys at the front would have it that way. If all the McKinney and Collin County boys on the battle fronts of the world could come home for the Yuletide season, we believe they would want to find home folks observing Christmas as usual, so far as priorities and shortages will permit.

They're fighting for just that thing, to continue and to preserve the American way of life. And when we observe Christmas we are paying tribute to the birthday of Jesus Christ who gave his life that we might enjoy a well rounded existence and have hope of eternal life.

Then, let's observe Christmas this year, not in a frivolous way, but in a sober, sincere way, remembering why we observe the day and renewing our pledge to Christ our Saviour, the folks at home and the boys at the front.

Miss Leota Bell Is Appointed Civilian Recruiter In Collin County For WAACS Says Official

McKinney Lady's Appointment Comes Through The Dallas Recruiting Station; Miss Bell, Native Of Gainesville, Organized Women's Defense Unit In McKinney.

Word has been received that Miss Leota Bell has been appointed Civilian Recruiter for the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps in Collin County. Her appointment came through the Dallas Recruiting Station by Col. C. K. Rhinehart, District Recruiting and Induction Officer.

Miss Bell was born in Gainesville, Texas, where she lived practically all of her life until two years ago when she came to McKinney. While in Gainesville she was a member of the famous Gainesville Community Circus for three years and also a member of the Business and Professional Women's Club.

Since moving to McKinney she has become popular with a host of friends here, and organized the Women's Defense Corps here April 7, 1942. She is enthusiastic and faithful in her duties to the Corps, putting forth every effort that will be of service to her country, and she is to be commended for her assistance at this time to her Government by assisting in recruiting women for the WAAC's.

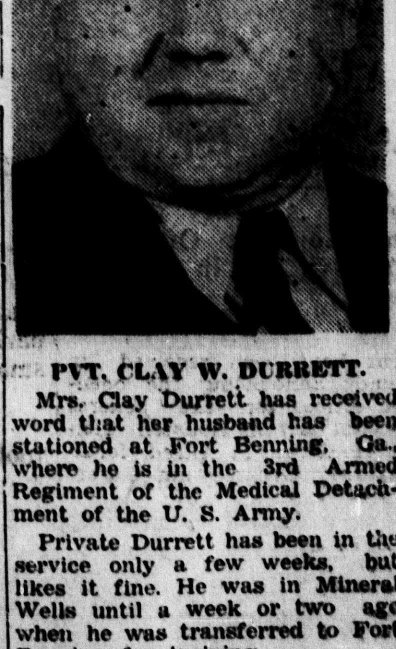
Biss Bell is a popular employe of the Central National Bank, and resides in the home of Mrs. John B. Hill, 605 North College Street, where women or girls who are interested in the WAAC's may contact her. She has had the above mentioned appointment only a few days and feels confident that Collin County will furnish its share of recruits for the Women's Army.

Appointed

MISS LEOTA BELL.

Private Clay W. Durrett At Fort Benning, Georgia

Mrs. Clay Durrett Learns That Her Husband Transferred From Mineral Wells.



PVT. CLAY W. DURRETT.

Mrs. Clay Durrett has received word that her husband has been stationed at Fort Benning, Ga., where he is in the 3rd Armed Regiment of the Medical Detachment of the U. S. Army.

Private Durrett has been in the service only a few weeks, but likes it fine. He was in Mineral Wells until a week or two ago when he was transferred to Fort Benning for training.

He is the son of Mrs. Julia Durrett of this city and his wife is the former Miss Runnion. She is remaining in McKinney for the duration. The many friends of Mr. Durrett wish for him much success while he is in training in Uncle Sam's army.

Hon. Jas. V. Allred Opens Law Office

Former Attorney General And Governor Of Texas Opens Offices In Houston, Texas.

Cards have been received in McKinney announcing the opening of offices for the general practice of law in Houston, Texas, of Hon. Jas. P. Allred, former Attorney General and Governor of Texas. Mr. Allred is recognized as one of the State's outstanding attorneys. He has many friends in this city and county, who will be glad to learn of the opening of offices for the practice of law. His office will be located in the Oil and Gas Building in Houston, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. (Doc) Fagg, Mr. and Mrs. John M. Smith, Gwen Edwards of Blue Ridge and Frank Brannon of Dallas were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Nelson here Sunday.

RUSSIAN ADVANCE THREATENS TO ISOLATE 750,000 GERMAN TROOPS, SAY SOVIET OFFICIALS

ALLIED BOMBERS DO GREAT DAMAGE IN NORTH AFRICA: BRITISH EIGHTH ARMY PURSUES ROMMEL'S GERMAN ARMY WEST OF EL AGHEILA.

BULLETINS.

There is a possibility that Hitler may order a withdrawal of German troops from the Stalingrad areas as The Russian offensive makes progress and pushes the Germans back in that area. The drive threatens to isolate 750,000 Germans.

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Munich, Bavarian capital, was heavily bombed by the RAF, leaving big fires burning in that German city.

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The Allied bombers are busy in North Africa, harrassing Rommel's fleeing troops and bombing landing fields and other enemy objectives in Tunis. Land operations include activity by patrols by each side.

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The British Eighth Army is continuing pushing Rommel's fleeing forces back across Libya and are at a point 150 miles West of El Agheila.

Axis counterattacks were pushed back approximately sixty miles from the Eastern Tunisian coast by French troops as the French continue Eastward in an effort to block Rommel's retreating forces who are being pursued Westward toward Tripoli in Libya. It is said that the French, aided by the RAF, had captured positions South and Southeast of the Pont-Du-Fans, taking a number of prisoners.

The British Eighth Army is advancing along the Mediterranean and is within 250 miles of Tripoli, with indications that Rommel's forces intend to cross the Tunisian border for a final stand there.

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British forces pushing through the thick jungles of Western Burma have occupied Alethangyaw, only forty-five miles from the strategic Japanese-held sea and air base of Akyab, reports from the front said Monday.

Alethangyaw is about ten miles south of Maungdaw-Buthidaung area, which British troops occupied Friday.

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The Russian troops driving with gathering momentum southwestward from the middle Don River gained another fifteen miles Monday on the heels of demoralized Nazi troops who are fleeing in disorder and "leaving equipment and military supplies on the battlefield," the Soviets announced early Tuesday.

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British bombers in strong force assaulted the inland German port of Duisburg overnight, setting the city alight with great fires in the fifty-second attack upon it since the beginning of the war.

Collin Towns Give More Than $400 To Salvation Army Drive

McKinney Leads Contributors, Followed By Farmersville And Plano; W. G. Pedigo, In Charge, Pleased With Results Of Campaign.

Collin County towns contributed $417.25 in the county-wide Salvation Army Drive this year, just recently concluded, says W. D. Pedigo of Dallas, in charge of the annual drive here for several years. This amount represents a gain over recent years and is one of the best contributions to the Salvation Army in some time, he says.

McKinney led in the campaign, contributing $181.25. Farmersville was second with $112.00 and Plano third with $54.50.

The record of the Collin County towns in the Salvation Army drive this year follows:

McKinney,	$181.25.
Farmersville,	$112.00.
Celina,	$16.50.
Prosper,	$6.50.
Frisco,	$8.00.
Plano,	$54.50.
Wylie,	$10.00.
Allen,	$10.50.
Anna,	$12.00.
Melissa,	$6.00.
Total,	$417.25.

Nazarene Church Members Observe Yule Program

Christmas Program Given Sunday Night At McKinney Church, Says Pastor, Rev. F. O. Parr.

A beautifully prepared and rendered Christmas program was given at the Nazarene Church Sunday night, December 20, 6:45 p. m. This program was given by the Hi-N. Y. and Junior Groups under the direction of Mrs. F. O. Parr, and Mrs. Pearl Simmons played the Piano.

The various classes drew names and exchanged gifts in the Sunday Morning School session. The usual Christmas tree with fruits and candy which has been the custom of the church for some years was not carried out this year due to war conditions.

Rev. F. O. Parr and family are being made happy this Christmas tide by many useful gifts and rememberances from members and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dugger, Mrs. Ola Whisenant and Mrs. Elzer Leach, all of Allen, were visitors in McKinney Saturday.

Jaycees To Play Santa Claus To Farm Labor Camp

Will Give Gifts Of Candy, Fruit And Nuts To Children In That Camp, Says President Alfred Malley Scott Of Jaycees.

The Junior Chamber of Commerce will play Santa Claus to the children of the Migratory Farm Camp at Princeton, says President Alfred Malley Scott of the Jaycees. The Jaycees will furnish fruit, nuts, candy and other gifts to the boys and girls at the camp, and will see to it that all of them are remembered by Santa Claus this Christmas season.

Mrs. R. L. Jackson and son, Clifford, are spending the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Jackson's daughters, Mrs. H. E. Wassell and Frances and Addie Bob Jackson.

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M. F. Driggers, Route 1, Princeton has our thanks for Weekly Democrat-Gazette subscription renewal.

News From War Front

Fire destroyed 100 tons of coal at Boston, Massachusetts, and other damage was done by the blaze.

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A Grand Prairie sailor believes in Santa Claus. Sent a notice for overparking in Dallas, he sent a Christmas card and a nickel to police officials, with the assertion he believed that the nickel would pay for the amount of overtime he parked. Officials are considering "letting him off" for the small fine.

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A British Commando raid, in which American soldiers took part, was made against Tunisian bases. The landing was made in heavy seas and Commando losses were light. Their landing was unopposed. A number of Germans were killed as they made their way back through the German territory.

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An American official predicted an all out aerial offensive against the axis, soon to begin.

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Hitler is said to have ordered Laval to turn over 40,000 more French workers for German war factories and also ased for more money for the war.

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The RAF is aiding General Wavell in his drive into Burma against the Japanese.

First Baptist Juniors To Give Christmas Party

A Christmas party will be given by the Junior Department of the First Baptist Church tonight at 7 o'clock in the basement of the church. Games will be enjoyed and a Christmas tree will be the feature attraction. Mrs. G. C. Haralson is Superintendent and invites all children of the department to be present as an enjoyable evening is being planned.

25 YEARS AGO IN KINNEY

ROM THE FILES OF THE AILY COURIER-GAZETT

(Friday, December 21, 1917).

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Lawson of Melissa were Christmas shopping in McKinney Thursday afternoon.

Rev. R. D. Shults of this city has returned home from Donna where he was engaged in a three weeks' revival meeting.

Dar Santa Claus: I want a pair of kid gloves, some house slippers, a cameo ring and some kind of a game and other things you think I would like. And lots of candy and fruit. Your little girl, Martha Anne Hughston

There will be a Christmas tree at the First Baptist Church Monday evening at which the children of the poor and of strangers will be specially remembered. A short program will begin at 7 p. m. after which the presents will be distributed. The public is cordially invited.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy eight years old. I go to school and am in the high second. I will not ask for much as this is war time. I will ask for one dollar to go in my bank. Also a two bladed knife as I am on the war path looking for Kaiser Bill. I would not object to a little fruit if you have any to spare. Good-bye, Santa Claus From Malcolm Walters.

Mrs. Belle Dancer and daughter, Miss Melietta, are again at home in McKinney after a year's residence in Amarillo. Mrs. Dancer was for three years a saleslady in the big Matthews Dry Goods store in McKinney. She resumes her old position with the same establishment where she is being cordially greeted by her many friends. Her other two daughters, Misses Goldie and Lelia remained for the present in Amarillo where they hold good positions.

BEST WISHES

May Every Good Wish Come True

May Christmas bring you joy and may each day of the year add to our enjoyment of life! And may we continue to serve you in the future as we have during the past!

NAOMI SNIDER

Ready-To-Wear

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Christmas day itself is synonymous with cheer and happiness. The spirit of this occasion should be carried throughout the year—and we hope for its continuation.

THE TEXAS COMPANY

WILL J. RHEA, Consignee

MERRY CHRISTMAS

But the sentiment we are trying to express in it is a large quantity, for we wish every one of our hundreds of customer-friends.

A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS

SUPER-SERVICE STATION

G. C. Furr Lacy Howard A. V. Hamilton

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON

Happiness, Health and Prosperity

to you all—our loyal friends and patrons! May the day be full to overflowing with Real Christmas Joy!

CRYSTAL ICE CO.

SOUTHLAND ICE CO.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

CORDIAL HOLIDAY GREETINGS FOR THE FESTIVE TIME!

With sincere good wishes we take this opportunity to express our appreciation for your continued patronage.

C. H. BLEWETT, AGENT

MAGNOLIA PETROLEUM CO.

We'd Like To Tell Our Greetings To You "In Person"

—But we can't so we'll have to make this do.

WE WISH YOU

A Very Merry Christmas

Tune in WRR 11:15 A. M. for Special Program

WE WILL BE CLOSED CHRISTMAS DAY

Lane's Grocery and Service Station

T. J. LANE, Prop.

Christmas Greetings

NOW THAT THE LAST PRESENT HAS BEEN SELECTED, THE LAST DECORATIONS HUNG AND PLANS FOR THE FEAST ATTENDED TO . . . THE MERCHANTS OF McKINNEY, WHO SO SUCCESSFULLY SUPPLIED YOU WITH ALL THE THINGS TO HELP MAKE A MERRY CHRISTMAS, SEND THEIR GOOD WISHES TO ALL THEIR FRIENDS AND PATRONS FOR A VERY JOYOUS HOLIDAY SEASON. MAY YOU AND YOUR FAMILY ENJOY IT TO THE UTMOST!

A Very Merry Merry Christmas

Is our wish for you at this Yuletide Season. May you enjoy the day to its fullest extent.

Warren Cobb

Shoe Repairing

Wishing You A Very Merry Christmas

To all of our Loyal Friends and Patrons. You have been very considerate of me and I am grateful.

ALSO A HAPPY NEW YEAR

Morgan Stock Farm

Mack Morgan, Prop.
McKinney, Texas, R-5

A FRIENDLY GREETING

May all the joys of the Season come trooping in upon you—and find you so glad to see them they''ll decide to stay all year! May all the blessings you wish for and all the good fortune you hope to find be put in your Christmas stocking and surprise you even more than you've surprised others.

CONTINENTAL OIL CO.

C. J. YOUNG, Agt.

1942

Christmas Joy To All

It has been a genuine pleasure to have served you during the past year, and we hope for a continuance of our friendly relations.

A. M. SCOTT INS, CO.

A Merry Joyous Christmas

We wish that we could convey to you how deep, how sincere are our wishes for your deep enjoyment of this holiday in some more tangible way. But we are happy to take this opportunity to say—

"A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS"

J. S. Bridgefarmer

JEWELER OPTOMETRIST

MERRY CHRISTMAS

To all of you—our friends and patrons we wish a very

MERRIEST OF MERRY CHRISTMAS

We are indeed grateful for your business.

NORTH END GROCERY

MRS. R. A. FURR, Prop.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

To all our patrons—those who have shared with us and those who will share with us in the future—our heartiest and sincerest greetings.

MAY CHRISTMAS BE YOUR BEST

R. F. Newsome

INS. CO.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Happiness, Peace and Prosperity!

What more could we wish you all—and what more could you want!

May Providence be as kind to all of you as HE has been to us.

COFFMAN THE FLORIST

YULETIDE GREETINGS

Our Christmas wish of a year ago has been fulfilled. . through a prosperous year.

The community, generally speaking, has passed

MAY 1943 BE EQUALLY KIND TO ALL!

WHITE BILLOWS

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Our Sincerest At This Time

We extend the season's greetings to you and yours at this most joyous of holidays. May you enjoy the day fully!

PARIS GROCER COMPANY

MERRY CHRISTMAS

As an old-time neighbor to the neighbors, here's an old time greeting. May this **CHRISTMAS** find you all happy amidst countless treasures and every day of the **NEW YEAR** be equally as joyful.

SINCLAIR OIL CO.

L. W. HALL, Agent

The Season's Greetings

In Grateful Appreciation

We take this opportunity to tell you how much we appreciate your patronage!

CAPPS FEED STORE

E. Va. St., Phone 130

Christmas Cheer To Everybody

We know the jolly little man from the North has not forgotten you.

And neither have we, for right here and now we are wishing you the Merriest Christmas season ever, and adding our thanks for your interest and favors of the past year.

RAY and ROBERTS, Ins.

Your Home Town

THESE GIFTS WE BRING.

THE WRITER, WILLIS Thornton, gives us the following:

THEY WERE WISE MEN. St. Matthew tells us in his Gospel, who came to Jerusalem on that first Christmas. They had seen His star in the east, they said, and were come to worship Him.

And the star, which they had seen in the East, went before them, until it stood above the place where lay the Child Jesus. Then, recounts St. Matthew, they "fell down, and worshipped Him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto Him gifts: gold and frankincense, and myrrh."

It is a long way from that simple story, told and retold in every tongue and every land in the world for two thousand years, to the hectic rush of the Christmastime of 1942. The custom of exchanging presents at this season is an amiable one, and is productive of a certain amount of goodwill.

Surely there must be a greater lesson, however, in this story of St. Matthew, which has gripped and held humanity for so many centuries. Surely there are other gifts than the coveted gold, the precious and fragrant resins that the wise men of old laid at the feet of the Master.

It lies inthe fact that at this very outset of the Christian era there was an unselfish act of giving; the very advent of Christianity on earth was marked by a desire on the part of three wise men to give and to serve. Was it not this very spirit that Christianity was to try to bring to a selfish earth? How better usher in a religion one of whose leading ethical tenets is that it is better to give than to receive?

The physical presentation of the gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh we fairly reproduce today in giving to one another similar material gifts, even though they be but greeting cards and handkerchiefs and toys. But the gifts to the Savior were a symbolism, meant to print indelibly on the soul of man a spirit of giving.

Are there no gifts to be given today that are more than material gifts of man to man and woman to woman? Are there no gifts to be given to God on the birthday of His Son?

Is not a gift of love amid a world of hatred more precious than gold? Is not a gift of kindness sweeter than frankincense, and a cheerful word more healing than myrrh?

There are gifts we can give today, though the purse be lean and the heart be heavy.

As the wise men who came to that first Christmas came not empty-handed, but came prepared to give rather than to get, so we ought to approach this Christmas of today ready to give not only material gifts, which are symbols, but more precious gifts of faith and courage and love.

WHAT WOULD YOU DO WITH TRAILER WITHOUT TIRES?

IF YOU THINK YOU NEED tires, consider the case of Mr. and Mrs. George Seacat, stuck with $1,000 worth of house trailer, no tires, and forced to move to Texas.

Mr. Seacat's job as a bricklayer on an army hospital project at Topeka, Kansas, ends this week. Next stop, Texas and another war job.

But they can't find any tires. Mrs. Seacat has appealed in vain to rationing officials, project officials, and the police. No tires.

They drove to Topeka, on borrowed tires, which had to be returned to a dealer at Charleston, West Virginia, where they bought the trainer."

DOG AND PUPS.

FIRE CHIEF WALTER Cockrell, well known McKinney mechanic, received an unexpected Christmas present Monday morning, when he found a barrel at his home early that morning. Investigating, he found a dog and six little puppies, which some friend had left without making himself known. Chief Cockrell is trying to guess the identity of the donor, but thus far has not been successful in his eforts. He's keeping the dog and her puppies and it looks like the canines have found a permanent home.

BUSINESS WOMEN'S BIBLE CLASS PARTY.

The Business Women's Bible Class of the First Baptist Church met in the home of the Class President, Mrs. J. H. Ferguson, Friday night for the Christmas party. The living room was beautifully decorated. A delicious salad plate was passed to the following members and associate members: Misses Alberta Williams, Ella Mae Harrison, Rebecca Lovell, Mary Hill, Laura Sue Allen, Mattie Lou Cooper, Ethel Russell, Lela Copeland, Velma Binkley, Mrs. Bertha Parker and Mrs. Ferguson.

After a brief business meeting the Christmas exchange was enjoyed by all. Mrs. W. E. Ditto is the beloved teacher of this class.

No razor blades required, give Him an Electric Remington Shaver. From Gamble's "Your Careful Druggist."

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ballew of the Parker community were Christmas shoppers in McKinney Saturday.

McKinney Young Man Selected For Pilot Training

Gilbert Ray Crittenden, Who Volunteered In Army Air Unit, Is Son Of Mr. And Mrs. G. W. Crittenden, Of McKinney; Keeps Up With Home News Through The Daily Courier-Gazette.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Crittenden, well known citizens of McKinney have received the following letter from Colonel W. A. Robertson, Commanding the Army Air Forces, regarding their son, Gilbert Ray Crittenden, who recently enlisted in the United States air forces. The letter, which is instructive and interesting, follows:

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Dec. 12, 1942.

Dear Mr. Crittenden:

It is with great pleasure that I notify you that your son, Gilbert R. Crittenden has been selected by the Classification Board for Pilot training in the United States Army Air Forces. I congratulate both you and him on this achievement.

He will soon be transferred to one of the West Coast Army Air Forces Training Center elementary flying schools and will then begin his flight training. The course of instruction which he will pursue throughout the flying schools is thorough, intensive and the best that our country can give to fit him for his future duties and responsibilities as a member of the Army Air Forces. Upon successful completion of his flying training, he will receive his Wings and the rating of airplane Pilot.

In either war or peace, a Pilot occupies a position that requires sound judgment, a keen and alert mind, a sound body and the ability to perfectly coordinate mind and body in the flying of the airplane. It is impeartive that the men who fly our military aircraft possess these qualifications, for upon their skill will depend in large measure the success of our war effort.

It is my hope that you will derive great satisfaction from your son's selection for Pilot training, and that his future career in the Army Air Forces will be one of continuing success and service.

Sincerely yours,

W. A. ROBERTSON, Coloney, Army Air Forces, Commanding.

Mr. Crittenden is a well-known McKinney young man, who has many friends in this city and county who will be glad to learn of the progress he is making in the service of his country. Mr. Crittenden is keeping up with happenings in this city and county through the Daily Courier-Gazette, which goes to him every day with the news.

Tabu Imported Perfume and Cologne "The Forbidden Order," Gamble's, "Your Careful Druggist."

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

James More et ux to R. G. Hobson, lot in Celina, $700.00.

Hale A. Smith to T. B. Bolin, lot in Allen, $500.00

R. A. Joplin, by Rec. to Roy C. Roberts, 104.5 acres in Wm. Johnson survey, $9200.00

Mrs. Alera Brigham to Della E. Boyd, lot in Murphy, $600.00.

C. H. Bellows et ux to R. L. Bellows, 79.6 acres in Greer Johnson survey, $xxx.

North Amc. Life Ins. Co. to Thomas Emerson, 239.83 acres in Jas. Herndon survey, $x.

Mrs. Ruby Chaddick, et vir to John H. King, 2.3 acres in W. B. Williams survey, $600.00.

Franklin Life Ins., Co. to J. H. Timmons, 67.23 acres in Wm. Worden survey, $5500.00.

Ed Yeatts to State of Texas, 7.49 acres in P. Pugh survey, $x.

J. H Cook et us to State of Texas 1.15 acres in S. Pugh survey, $750.00.

Aetna Life Ins. Co. to Jno. O. Beaumont 87 acres in M. R. Roberts survey, $2700.00.

W. E. Garner et us to J. M. White, 1001.1 acres in H. Walters survey, $6000.00.

T. C. Peak et ux to Bessie Brumley, lot in Farmersville, $20.

C. H. Kemp et ux to A. A. Kemp, 50.22 acres in J. Mathews et al survey, $2600.00.

C. H. Kemp et ux to A. A. Kemp, 28.92 acres in Wm. Dabbs survey, $650.70.

Chief Recer et ux to C. H. Hayes, lot in McKinney, $3,000.00.

W. R. Peterman to A. C. Peterman, 20 acres in G. Chenoweth, $400.00.

R. T. Peterman et al to A. C. Peterman, 40 acres, $2400.00.

Linnie Young to Wilson J. Brown, 46.6 acres in J. C. Neil survey, $1864.00.

Jack Allen et ux to R. F. Williams, lot in McKinney, $900.00.

S. C. Nelms, Jr., et ux to J. Lyman Davis, 176 1-2 acres in Thos. Rollow et al survey, $13,200.00.

W. E. Button et ux to Sam Majors, 2 acres in J. Butler survey, $3250.00.

Laura Patterson et al to Lee Atkins, 130 acres in Anglin survey, $7500.00.

J. B. Morgan et ux to W. E. Oliver, lots in Copeville, $700.00.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Garland of Route 1, Princeton, were in McKinney Wednesday and renewed for the Weekly Democrat-Gazette for which they will please accept our thanks.

Sergeant Carlisle Marshall And Wife Visit In County

Sgt. Carlisle Marshall of Camp Hood and wife were visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Marshall, in the Woodlawn community for a day or two. Sgt. Marshall is off duty on a fifteen day furlough, part of which time he is spending with his wife in Fort Worth. They plan however to be with his parents for Christmas Day.

A. M. Quattlebaum And Son Visit Us

A. M. Quattlebaum and son A. M., Jr., of Dallas were visitors in McKinney Friday, calling by this office where Mr. Quattlebaum ordered the Weekly Democrat-Gazette sent to his address in Dallas. He and his family formerly lived in McKinney where they still have a host of friends.

A. M. Quattlebaum, Jr., has just recently returned to visit his parents from the Solomon Islands where he has been engaged in the battles in the South Pacific. He was on the U. S. S. Boise and was granted a twenty-day leave. He has been in the Navy for eighteen months and likes it fine, having had many interesting and thrilling experiences. We greatly enjoyed the visit of this fine young U. S. sailor and his father.

Dr. Cozad Submits To Operation

Dr. J. H. Cozad, of Sulphur Springs, submitted to a major operation in the Cozad Clinic Sunday. Dr. Scott Wysong of this city went over to Sulphur Springs to assist with the operation.

Last reports from his bedside were to the effect that he was resting as well as could be expected with hopes for his recovery. Dr. Cozad is beloved by a host of friends in McKinney and Collin County where for several years he was pastor of the First Baptist Church here. He was prominent throughout North Texas in his denomination and his friends here and elsewhere are anxious for his speedy recovery. The Cozad Clinic was established in Sulphur Springs several years ago by Dr. Don Cozad, son of Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Cozad.

Heavy Loses From Fire Says Fire Ins. Commissioner

Recent Fire Disasters Point Out Danger Of Fires In Crowded Buildings.

Marvin Hall, State Fire Insurance Commissioner, asserts that recent fire disasters, resulting in heavy loss of life are "reminders that fire in any crowded public building may easily lead to panic."

In urging management of clubs, stores, theaters and other public places to exercise exterme care to prevent fires during the holiday season, Hall pointed out that public buildings will be crowded, many will be decorated, and exits are often inadequate to care for large numbers in a hurry.

"Flammable decorations," he declared, "have no place in a public building. Waste materials are very hazardous and should be removed promptly. Our careless smoking habits create a constant menace of fire whenever large crowds assemble. For that reason the management of public places need to be on the alert for fire dangers.

"Aisles and exits must be kept unobstructed and the exits clearly marked. Enforcement of no smoking regulations in theaters is of great importance."

To safeguard public buildings against fire, Hall suggested that "sprinklers, hand hose and fire extinguishers should be kept ready. Even buckets of water, widely distributed may mean the difference between a trivial flareup and a holocaust."

MR. AND MRS. D. W. BAGWILL APPRECIATE VISIT OF CAROLERS.

Among the agencies in McKinney spreading Yuletide cheer and good will at this season of the year are the Christmas Carolers, who tourned the city Sunday night, despite inclement weather, singing Carols to those who are ill, shut-ins and other friends. Among those serenaded again this Christmas time were Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Bagwill residing at 1107 North Sherman Street. Mr. and Mrs. Bagwill as well as many other McKinney citizens, have been serenaded for the past several Christmas seasons and take this means of expressing their appreciation to Miss Hamilton and her splendid group of carolers for the fine music rendered and for their part in spreading good will at this season of the year.

Sergeant George F. Handy of Camp Gruber, Oklahoma, is spending the holidays in McKinney the guest of Jim Webb Harrison and his sister, Miss Ella Mae Harrison.

KATHRYN HIGHT AND DARDEN WARE WED.

A wedding, beautiful in its simplicity was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hight Sunday morning at 9 o'clock when their daughter, Mary Kathryn, became the bride of Darden Ware. The impressive double ring ceremony was read by Dr. R. A. Clifton, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, in the presence of the immediate families and a few relatives of the couple. The ceremony was read by candle light.

The sacred vows were taken before an altar improvised of ferns and tall baskets of white mums. The other decorations of the house were white chrysanthemums, with Smilax entwined above the doorways and windows. In the dining room the table was covered with a lace cloth, and centered with the tiered wedding cake, which was placed on a reclector. the cake was a lovely confection embossed in white and topped with a miniature bride and groom and wedding bell. Surrounding the base of the cake was an entwinement of smilax which held clusters of tiny white chrysanthemums. These chosen blossoms and white candles were used upon the buffet.

The bride and groom entered the room together, there being no other attendants. The bride was lovely in an early spring suit of powder blue crepe, made with a blue lace jabot. Her off-the-face hat was of brown faille, trimmed with ostrich trips, and her slippers and other accessories were in brown. She wore a shoulder corsage of white carnations.

Following the ceremony a reception for the wedding guests was held with Miss Marilyn Miller of Oklahoma City and Miss Marie Gidens serving the wedding cake and coffee.

Mr. and Mrs. Ware left for a short honeymoon trip to Dallas after which they will spend the holidays in McKinney.

The bride was born and reared in McKinney being a member of pioneer Collin County families. The groom, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard S. Ware of McKinney, was reared here. He and his bride both graduated from the Boyd High School, being the honor graduates of their class. He is a student in Texas A. and M. College, and expects to graduate there next September. He will resume his studies there in January.

Mrs. Ware after her graduation from high school attended Oklahoma University in Norman, Oklahoma, for two years and at present holds a responsible secretarial position with the Office of War Information in Dallas. She expects to resume her duties while her husband completes his studies in A. and M.

The happy young couple were popular with the young social set in McKinney and they have the congratulation and best wishes of a host of friends here and elsewhere upon their marriage.

Out-of-town relatives at the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Grover Hight of Sherman; Mrs. E. D. Russell and Miss Stella Russell of Farmersville; Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Russel lof Dallas and Mrs. T. G. Robinson of Denton.

"ENJOY TAMALE SUPPER.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker Thurman and son, Charles, entertained a few friends with a Tamale supper at their home on North Bradley Street. The house was festive throughout with Yuletide decorations, the living room holding the feature attraction. The lighted Christmas tree was surrounded with a Christmas snow scene, while red berries and mistletoe were used over the windows and doors. A large floor basket of white chrystanthemums also added beauty to the room. In the dining room an arrangement of berries and leaves was used upon the dining table and buffet with red and blue candles. Small tables were arranged for eighteen guests, and a delicious menu of hot tamale loaf, potato salad, relishes, coffee and hot since pie was served.

During the evening games were enjoyed after which a gift exchange created much merriment. Those present for the evening were:

Mr. and Mrs. Ray G. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Foster and daughter, Ruby Ray, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Foster, Sr., Miss Kathryn Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Stogdill, Mrs. Alfred Allen, Sr., Mrs. Jack Bolton, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred James Allen and baby son, Bobby, and Mrs. J. B. Hammock.

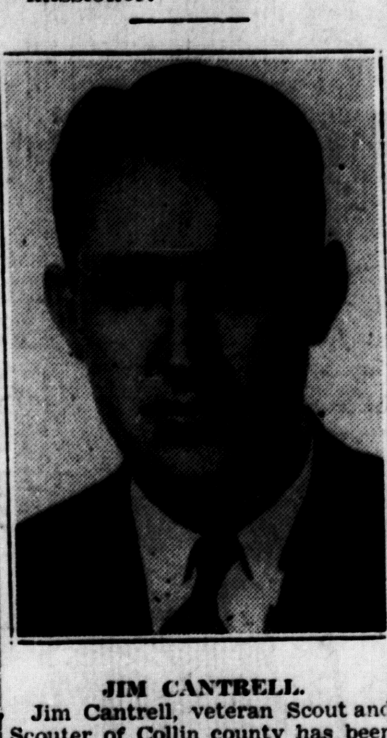
Mrs. M. V. McGuffey Sends Weekly To Son In Mississippi

Mrs. M. V. McGuffey residing in the Desert community, Route 2, Blue Ridge, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. L. V. Barnett in McKinney for a few days. The latter's husband recently left for the U. S. Army. While in McKinney Mrs. McGuffey called by our office and ordered the Weekly Democrat-Gazette sent to her son, Private H. B. McGuffey, 396 T. S. S. Box 408 Keesler Field, Mississippi. Mrs. McGuffey is correspondent for the Daily Courier-Gazette and the Weekly Democrat-Gazette from her home community. She is the Mother of Muriel McGuffey, popular employe of the Basement Barber Shop.

Mrs. Pauline Petway and son and Miss Benthul of the Branch community were McKinney visitors Wednesday.

Jim Cantrell New Boy Scout Commissioner

Veteran Scout And Scouter Of Collin County Is Appointed To The Post Of Neighborhood Scout Commissioner.



JIM CANTRELL.

Jim Cantrell, veteran Scout and Scouter of Collin county has been appointed to the post of Neighborhood Scout Commissioner to serve two local institutions, says Lyman D. Robinson, District Commissioner.

Mr. Cantrell will serve the First Baptist Church and the North Baptist Church including all Troops, Packs and other units which may be sponsored by those two institutions now in the future.

"We are particularly forunate to have Mr. Cantrell in this position because of his broad experience in the past several departments of the local Scouting program," Mr. Robinson said. Mr. Cantrell vacates the chairmanship of the Organization and Extension Committee which he has filled for the past two years.

TURKEY DINNER FOR CELINA COUPLES CLUB.

Mr. and Mrs. S. G. McKnight of Celina entertained their couples bridge club Tuesday night with a turkey dinner and Christmas party. After several hands of bridge, gifts were exchanged from a lighted tree.

Funeral Services Held Thursday For Mrs. Lola Hambrick

Funeral services for Mrs. Lola Hambrick, wife of J. D. Hambrick of this city, were held Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the First Baptist Church, conducted by the Pastor, Dr. R. A. Clifton. Interment was made in the Pecan Grove Cemetery with the Massie Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Active pallbearers were Roger Duke, J. R. Haney, V. L. (Lee) Trotter, W. B. Chapman, J. H. Actkinson and Obe McCollum.

Mrs. Hambrick passed away at her home, 607 Hunt Street, about 9:45 o'clock Wednesday morning. She and Mr. Hambrick moved to McKinney from Lufkin several months ago, he being employed by the Texas Power & Light Company here. Mrs. Hambrick was active in the First Baptist Church and during the short time of her residence here had made many friends.

Surviving are her husband, her Mother, Mrs. R. H. Williamson of Fort Worth; four sisters, Mrs. Howard S. Ware of McKinney, Mrs. Albert T. Mills of Cleburne, Mrs. Randolph Rannen and Mrs. J. L. Simms, both of Fort Worth, and two brothers, J. H. Williamson of Beaumont and Elbert Williamson of Fort Worth.

TWO CHANGES AMONG RESIDENTS AT WESTON.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Hobson of Weston have moved to Celina to reside in a home which they purchased.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Hansard and family of Weston have moved to the Speck farm vacated by the Hobsons.

Mrs. John Cave and daughter, Annabelle, of Weston expect to leave soon to join Mr. Cave in Fort Worth, where he is now employed.

Mrs. Charlie Malone left Monday for Dallas accompanied by her grand-daughter, Mary Edith Cole, who has been visiting her for the past two weeks. Mrs. Malone will visit ten days in Dallas before returning home. She ordered her aDily to follow her at 1318 Wilbur Street, Dallas.

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Collin Ladies Are Doing Their Part On Farms

Several ladies at Howe, Grayson County, received honorable mention recently concerning the part they are playing in the war effort. Among other very worthwhile activities on the farm, they were mentioned as operating tractors, etc. Our hats are off to those ladies and along with them there are some of our own Collin County ladies who are doing the same thing. Those whose names follow are operating tractors, growing fall gardens and raising many fall chickens, that we know of: Mrs. J. J. Nash, Mrs. Smith Roberts, Mrs. Troy Scalf and Mrs. J. E. Smith, all of the Foote community. We feel there are many others over the county doing the same thing and we commend them for their eforts.

Boys' Unique Way To Get Yule Money

Wendel Brown and Benjamin Hamilton were made happy recently when in an unusual way they earned some Christmas money. It happened that the little fellows found a ladies' purse, so they immediately set out to locate the owner. They went to the residence shown on an identification card, but found the family had moved. However, they were given instructions as to where the owner of the purse could be found, so made their way to the proper address. They seemed greatly pleased that the owner had been found, and because of their honesty in returning the purse the lady gave each of the lads a nice reward. Though they didn't really want a reward, it was insisted upon them, and now they are quite happy to have all little extra spending money for the holidays.

$100,000 Fire At Kilgore

Damage estimated at $100,000 was caused Tuesday night by fire in the Cameron Lumber Company and the Smith Lumber Company yards at Kilgore. The blaze started at 10 p. m. This is the second large fire in Kilgore within a week, the Texas Theater having burned Friday night for a loss of $75,000.

Thanks to our good friend, N. C. Smart, at San Angelo, for Daily Courier-Gazette renewal. Friend Smart nolds a responsible position as deputy in the State Superintendent's Department, being located at San Angelo. He and his family have a host of friends in this cit yand county.

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Gus C. Street, Jr., Is Army Major

Gus C. Street, Jr., whose name has become almost synonymous with "Wage and Hour Law" in the last three years, wears the gold leaves of an Army major.

Edward J. Florer, his assistant, took over his duties pending appointment of a new regional director. The region covers Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas and New Mexico.

Major Street took his oath as an officer in the Engineering Corps, and reported to Southwestern Division headquarters at Dallas for his assignment.

He had served as regional director of the Wage-Hour Division here since Jan. 18, 1940. Employees held a luncheon in his honor, and gave him a military cap and field jacket as parting gifts.

Hugh L. Cole was transferred from Little Rock to Dallas to become acting Wage-Hour supervising inspector in the regional office, Florer's old post. Ernest M. Worley succeeded Cole as acting supervising inspector in Little Rock.

Major Street, native of Houston, graduated from Texas A. and M. College in 1905 and launched into a career as a construction superintendent, architect and general contractor— a career which led him from Houston to New York and back again. In World War I he was engaged in cantonment construction and ship-building as superintendent for Stone and Webster.

In October 1933 he joined the Public Works Administration as architect examiner, and rose to the position of assistant regional director.

It was estimated that Street's work with WPA involved close supervision and contact with $328,000,000 worth of construction in this region.

Mrs. Street will join him at his new post of duty about January 1.

Private Raymond Davis Enjoys Visit In City

Private Raymond Davis of Kelly Field, San Antonio has returned to his duties after a few days' visit with his wife and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee R. Davis here. Raymond is in the Air Corps having been in the service about a month, and this week will enter a special course of training in the radio school. He likes his new surroundings fine. Raymond has many friends in McKinney who were glad to see him while on his short visit back home.

THE SEASON'S CHEER TO EVERYBODY
To our many friends and customers—the Season's best wishes for joy and happiness. By your thoughtfulness you have helped to make our Christmas a merry one and we wish the same for you.
THE MAN'S STORE
EAST SIDE SQUARE.

CHRISTMAS
. . . brings to each of us an appreciation of those fine friendships and memories which make life worth living. And so at this glad Holiday Season, we extend to you our cordial greetings and wish for you both health and happiness throughout all the coming year.
MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR
McKINNEY DRY GOODS CO.
And
STYLE SHOP

Wishing You a Joyous Holiday . . .
May your share of happiness at this glad Christmastime be brightened by the knowledge of our appreciation of your fine and valued friendships.
May you enjoy the associations of those dear to you, and may their companionship continue through the years to come.
Happy Christmas to all!
HORN & WHITE

SEASON'S GREETINGS!

In grateful appreciation of your kindness we extend our heartfelt wishes for your complete enjoyment of the holidays!

MERRY CHRISTMAS

HAPPY NEW YEAR

CLYDE DOYLE

JUSTICE OF PEACE

CHRISTMAS JOY

Countless Joys to everybody——is our sincere wish. If it comes true, then our Christmas, too, will be a mighty happy one.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

W. S. (CON) HAGY

COUNTY CLERK

SEASON'S GREETINGS!

May Health And Happiness Be Yours!

MERRY CHRISTMAS

HAPPY NEW YEAR

JIM CANTRELL

DISTRICT CLERK

SEASON'S GREETINGS!

To You
Whose friendly SUPPORT HAS CONTRIBUTED SO GREATLY DURING THE PAST YEAR, MAY WE EXTEND A CORDIAL AND APPRECIATIVE THANKS.

May Your

Christmas Be Happy

And

The New Year Prosperous

CLINT M. LEWIS

COUNTY ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR

WITH THE

BEST OF GOOD WISHES

For

Christmas and the New Year

From

W. E. BUTTON

COUNTY SHERIFF

A
Merry
Christmas
to All!

MERRY CHRISTMAS
HAPPY NEW YEAR

A Carefree Christmas. And happy the memories of it. Yes, long after it has passed——may its joys kindle a smile for you all.

GEO. DALTON

COUNTY COMMISSIONER

IT'S CHRISTMAS

MAY YOURS BE

A MERRY ONE

And

THE NEW YEAR

Filled With Joy and Happiness

RALPH BEDELL

COUNTY COMMISSIONER

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Merrier than ever—with Laughter and Gayety ruling the day. Thats the

KIND OF CHRISTMAS YOU'LL
Have If We Get Our Wish

HAPPY NEW YEAR

JOE BUNCH

COUNTY COMMISSIONER

BEST WISHES

We tae this opportunity of wishing our many friends our heartfelt best wishes for this happy season. And we hope that everyone receive his measure of

MERRY CHRISTMAS

and a HAPPY NEW YEAR

H. H. NEILSON

COUNTY JUDGE

A JOYOUS YULETIDE

With

BEST WISHES

For

CHRISTMAS

And

THE NEW YEAR

CHARLOTTE L. BOYCE

COUNTY HOME DEMONSTRATION AGENT

JACK McCULLOUGH

County Agricultural Agent

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

MAY THE JOYS OF THE

CHRISTMAS SEASON

Remain With You

Throughout The Coming Year

JUDGE T. J. (TOM) SUGGS

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

And

BEST WISHES

For A

NEW YEAR OF HAPPINESS

ROLAND BOYD

CRIMINAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY

WISHING YOU ALL AN OLD TIME

MERRY CHRISTMAS

And

BEST WISHES

FOR THE NEW YEAR

DWIGHT WHITWELL

CRIMINAL DISTRICT ATTORNEY-ELECT

Luther Truett Assistants Miss Willena Herndon

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Spring chickens, 22c per pound.
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Light hens, 17c per pound.
Turkey toms 26c per pound.
Turkey hens 28c per pound.
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Grain and Hay.
Ear corn, 75 cts. per bu.
Shelled corn, $2.00 per 100 lbs.
Barley, $1.70 per 100 lbs.
Oat straw, $5.00 per ton.
Wheat, $1.02 per bu.
Oats, 65 cts., per bu.
Alfalfa hay, $14.00 per ton.
Johnson grass, $7.00 per son.
Bran, $1.80 per 100 lbs.
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WANTED: Chevrolet or Dodge half-ton Pick-up truck 1941 model. Must be in first class condition. Box 300, McKinney.

WANTED: To buy your corn, either ear or shelled. Highest Market price. LEONARD'S FEED MILL, Melissa, Texas.

WANTED To buy your ear corn, see us for the highest market prices. Either at your barn or at our place. Call us. DUNGAN GRAIN & FEED COMPANY, 345 East Louisiana Street. Phone 713.

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Pvt. Leslie D. Reid and wife have recently returned to Denver, Colorado, from a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Reid, Route 2, Allen and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Mantooth, Route 1, Princeton. Private Reid has been transferred from Camp Barkeley, Texas to the Fitz-Simmons General Hospital, at Denver. His wife is the former Miss Evelyn Mantooth of Princeton.

Private Ralph Van Hoozer, of Weston has been transferred from Fort Sill, Oklahoma to Camp Phillips, near Salina, Kansas.

Mrs. Ottis M. Howard of Fort Worth will continue to read the Weekly Democrat-Gazette during 1943, having recently sent in her renewal for which we thank her.

Former McKinney Young Man, Nolen Welmaker, wins Posture Contest in Austin High School; President of Debate Club

The above picture will be of special interest in McKinney and Collin County since it shows Nolen Welmaker, better known in his home town McKinney as Bubba, who won the posture contest, sponsored by the Austin High School. Young Mr. Welmaker, son of Mrs. Felix E. Welmaker and of the late Felix E. Welmaker of this city, is President of the Woodrow Wilson Club, a debate club in the high school in Austin, where he is a Senior. He is also Recording Secretary of the student council body in Austin High High. Since he has been in High School he has won two medals, first place in boxing sponsored by Austin High of which he is quite proud

Felix Welmaker, Jr., is now in the army air corps, a flying cadet. He had two years in Texas University before joining up. We are getting along fine, Mrs. Welmaker writes this Editor. She is working with the Department of Public Safety, where they are finishing up a big job of getting Texas motorists some drivers licenses.

Barbara Love, her 7 year old daughter, is in the third grade in school.

Mrs. Welmaker says all three winners of the Posture contest were members of the Woodrow Wilson's of which Nolen Welmaker is President.

The many friends of the Welmaker family will be pleased to learn from these former well known and esteemed McKinney residents and will be interested in knowing that they are getting along so wel lin Austin.

COMISSIONER'S CORPS IS BEING FORMED BY BOY SCOUTS

T. R. MacDonald, Assistant Scout Executive of the Circle Ten Council, Dallas, who is serving Collin County's Scouting organiaztion temporarily says that emphasis during 1943 will be placed on the formation and trainin gof an adequate corps of Scout Commissioners.

The Executive, who comes regularly to McKinney from the Dallas Scout Office to service the Scout organization here, said that the aim of the administrative setup in Scouting was one thing only for 1943 .the strengthening of existing Troops followed by organization of additional units needed.

In order to strengthen the existing units, it will be necessary to recruit a complete corps of Neighborhood Scout Commissioners, he said. These Commissioners, he explained, will visit Scout Troops, meet with Troop Committees, cultivate institutional interest and be generally helpful and instructive to Scoutmasters he explained.

To head this important group, L. D. Robinson, an experienced educator and Scouter, has been selected as District Scout Commissioner. Assisting him will be Wilbur Thompson as Assistant Scout Commissioner. These men will serve as technical advisors to the District Committee and help Troops where help is needed.

Neighborhood Commissioners will be recruited and trained to give the direct service to the Troops. One of these has already been selected. He is Clyde Doyle, who, last year was chairman of the training committee of the district. He will service the First Christian Church and First Methodist Church. Two more such Commissioners will be needed for McKinney and one for each town outside McKinney in this county having Scout Troops.

This new approach is expected to have the maximum possible effect in the program of bettering the Scout Movement here, Mr. MacDonald said.

$100,000 Fire Strikes Paris Business Area

Fire Marshall Roy Weaver estimated $100,000 damages resulted from a fire which destroyed the Paris Transfer & Storage Company Building and contents and gutted the center portion of the Cotton Exchange Building in Paris. Mr. Weaver attributed the fire to a short circuit from a battery, which ignited gasoline being drained from a truck.

Three new trucks, thirty-five automobiles and about $18,000 worth of tires were lost in the blaze which threatened to engulf four other business establishments and an apartment house before more than a hundred firefighters brought the blaze under control.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Carr and son, Richard Jr., are here to spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Price Carr, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don O. Davis.

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Christmas shoppers from the Friendship community in town Saturday were Bernard Spurgin, Miss Ruth Spurgin, and Mr. and Mrs. Mack Spurgin.

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Mr. and Mrs. Grover Hight of Sherman were guests Sunday of the latter's sister, Mrs. Roy Caldwell and family in McKinney.

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Thanks to Eli Harris, Route 1, Princeton, for Weekly Democrat-Gazette renewal the coming year.

Stages "Air Raid" With Pistol, Garbage Can

Oscar Payne, Red Cross instructor, of Tulsa, Oklahoma, is a realist.

He staged a mock raid on a civil air patrol unit taking an evening lesson.

The room was dimmed out as the raid was reported and Payne laid on the drama heavily as the planes came closer and closer.

As the first bombs were supposed to strike, the lights went out, there was an explosion and a terrific series of crashes.

Mr. Payne had slipped a horse-pistol from a brief case and had fired it in the small room at the same moment that he kicked a large garbage can lid and sent it bouncing across the floor.

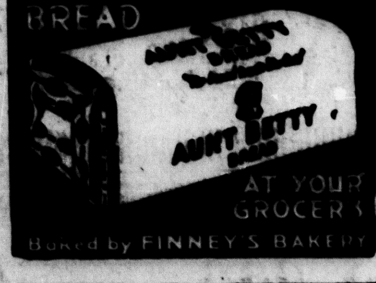
"It took some time for the screams and pandemonium to die down and even as long as ten minutes later several people were so nervous they shad trouble lighting cigarettes," reported Papne.

Tabu Imported Perfume and Cologne "The Forbidden Order," Gamble's, "Your Careful Druggist."

Geer and McCarthy Dowell, who attend Southern Methodist University in Dallas, are at home for the holidays. They are the twin sons of Mrs. McCarty Dowell.

Lieutenant Roy Caldwell of Fort Frances E. Warren, Wyoming, has arrived for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Caldwell.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Snider of Blythe's Chapel were in town Saturday.



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Personals

Mr. and Mrs. Will Moore were here from Fitzhugh Mills Wednesday.

J. M. Furr of Rhea's Mill renews the Weekly Democrat-Gazette for his brother Robert N. Furr at Albemarle, North aCrolina.

Mrs. Earl Barry and little son, Bob Frank and G. Frank Kerby of the Forest Grove community were shopping in the city Wednesday.

Mrs. Ralph Moseley, who has been a patient in the McKinney City hospital for the past week following an operation, is improving nicely.

P. F. Pittman, Junior, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Pittman, of Weston has been transferred from Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, to Camp McCoy, Wisconsin.

The present constitution of the State of Texas was writtend by convention which convened at Austin, Sept. 6, 1875, and adjourned Nov. 4, 1875.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Warden order the Weekly Democrat-Gazette sent to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Warden, Route 2 Anna, as a Christmas present.

Corporal Ellis Lanier of Randolph Field, Texas, is spending two weeks in McKinney with relatives and friends. Corporal Lanier was reared Northwest of McKinney.

Mrs. J. B. Wilson II and sons, J. B. III and Roy Don, of Fort Worth, are spending the holidays in the Cottage Hill Community in Northwest Collin with their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Melton.

We are pleased to place the name of Miss Viola Rose on our list of new subscribers to the Daily Courier-Gazette. Miss Rose is the efficient Postmistress at Allen.

Mrs. A. H. Eubanks, Sr., orders the Daily Courier-Gazette subscription renewed for her twin sons, Ted and Fred Eubanks, who are in defense work in Seattle, Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gilmore of Dallas spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Karl Gilmore here. Mr. Gilmer is a senior in Medical School of Baylor University, doing externe work at Parkland Hospital in Dallas.

Private Marshall J. Klutts renews his Weekly Democrat-Gazette for the coming year. Private Klutts is in training at the Basic Flying Training Squadron in Greenville.

Miss Alla Mae Russell orders the Weewly Democrat-Gazette sent to her brother-in-law, Pvt. Arthur E. Nittall, Jr., Sacramento, California, as a Christmas present. He is in Camp Kohler there.

A. L. Mullikin, A. M. M. 3-c V. P. 44 Care Fleet Post Office, San Francisco, California, keeps posted on happenings at home through the visits of the Daily Courier-Gazette which he will read for the ensuing months.

Pfc. Alton Horton is reading old home news through the Weekly Democrate-Gazette which goes to him at Camp Barkeley where he is in training in the Infantry division of the U. S. Army.

Mrs. Ralph Moseley, who recently submitted to a major operation in the McKinney City Hospital, has been removed to her home on West Howell Street. Her friends are pleased to learn that she is improving.

A. P. Dickerson, Route 4, McKinney sends the Weekly Democrat-Gazette to his daughter, Mrs. J. B. Haynes, Inglewood, California, as a Christmas gift. The paper will be enjoyed by her family the entire year as it brings her news each week of relatives and friends in Collin County.

Mrs. James Tarvin, 608 West Louisiana Street, McKinney, is a new subscriber to the Daily Courier-Gazette. We appreciate her subscription. She is an employe of Pratt's Drug Store here. Her husband recently left for the service.

Jewel Craft of Melissa hands us the subscription price of the Weekly Decmocrat-Gazette and orders it sent to his brother-in-law, Capt. Bill Bryan, who is in service at Taft, California. The Weekly goes as a Christmas gift. We thank Mr. Craft for his subscription.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Killian and two daughters of Farmersville were shopping in McKinney Saturday. Mr. Killian is a member of the teaching staff in the Farmersville school system. They have two sons in the service of their country.

OUR SOLDIER'S CHRISTMAS PRESENT

Since the beginning of Christmas the true signifigance of the day is one of giving. This Christmas millions of men are either giving, or are ready to give their lives to protect our freedom.

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Mrs. Mamie Barnes of Dallas was shopping in McKinney Wednesday. She is the daughter of the late Phil Corbitt and Mrs. Corbitt, long time residents of the Wylie community. While here she subscribed for the Weekly Democrat-Gazette. Her mother lives with her in Dallas.

Mrs. Lee A. Millican of 5840 Prospect Street., Dallas, spent Thursday with her cousin, Mrs. Wiley McKinney, on West Davis Street. Mrs. Millican before her marriage was Miss Alta Camp, Her family formerly lived in the Forest Grove community.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Lewis of Wylie are the proud parents of a son, Ronald Eugene. The infant has ten grandparents who are as follows: Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Renfro, Mr. and Mrs. Turner, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Renfro, all of Wylie; Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Lewis of Murphy, H. A. Robbins of McKinney and J. H. Lewis of Dallas.

Mrs. Fred Barnes orders the Weekly Democrat-Gazette sent to her sister, Mrs. J R. Gibson and family at Athens, Texas. She sends the paper as a Christmas gift and it will be a much appreciated one since Mrs. Gibson and her family can all enjoy it the year through with news from their old home county.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin L. Collins are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby son, Marvin Lawrence, Jr., born in the McKinney City Hospital. Mr. Collins is in the armed forces of Uncle Sam, being in training at the present time. The many friends of the happy parents extend congratulations uponthe arrival of the young son.

R. J. Walton, Manager of the Texas Milling Company at Clifton, Texas, orders his Weekly Democrat-Gazette renewed for another year. Mr. Walton has been with the company there for several years, but he always keeps up with McKinney, where he formerly lived, by reading his old home town paper. Mr. Walton has a host of friends here whom he occasionally comes back to see.

George Garnett McCauley, son of Mrs. Ola McCauley of this city, formerly af Dickenson, Texas, has been sent to Lansing, Michigan, where he is connected with the Oldsmobile company and where he is an instructor in antiaircraft. He is conected with the General Motors of Houston, Texas. His wife wil join him when he is located in Lansing, he says.

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Rev. and Mrs. I. E. Hightow of McAllen, Texas are spendi the holidays here with th daughter, Mrs. T. C. Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. Spurgin Mart of Branch were in the city Satu day.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Sears r new the Daily Courier-Gazet for their son, L. A. Sears, J Care Y. M. C. A., Seattle, Was ington. Young Mr. Sears holds responsible government positi in Seattle.

Leo Spillman of Denison, o former townsman, renews h Daily Courier-Gazette for se eral months longer. Mr. a Mrs. Spillman were one of M Kinney's most popular you couples, both of whom took pa inthe social, civic and churc life of our city. They moved Denison several months ago sin which time they have kept touch with their friends he through the regular visits of th Courier-Gazette. We appreciat the friendship of Mr. and Mr Spillman who have host o friends in this city.

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Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa: How are you and your helpers and Mrs. Santa? I would like to have a doll with ice skates and a bag of clothes; also a pair of Sunday shoes for the doll, and I would like to have candy, nuts, fruit and firecrackers. Please take good care of all the other children and bring them what they want. Take awful good care of our boy in the armed forces. Lots of love to you all, Colleen Dyer.

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Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 5 years old. I am not asking for many things this year, but please if you have them bring me a doll with hair and lots of clothes in a suitcase. Too, I would like to have a doll buggy and lots of nuts, fruits and candy. Don't forget my little brother Clyde Dennis who is 18 months old. He wants a truck that he can ride in, a train with a track and nuts, fruits and candy. Remember all good little boys and girls. I can hardly wait until you come so hurry up. Lots of love, Greta Gayle Horn.

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Dear Santa Claus: I don't want anything for Christmas. Your little friend, Patricia Cameron.

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Dear Santa Claus: Please send me a bicycle and a tool set. Your little friend, Jackie Woods.

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Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a flashlight, a bicycle and a model plane and some candy and nuts. Your little friend, James Bogard.

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Dear Santa Claus: I have been a very good boy and am eight years old. Please send me for Christmas a flashlight, a few fire crackers and don't forget my brother and my Mother and father and don't forget our fighting men overseas. Your little friend, Edwin Allen Carrell.

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Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a lunch box, a pair of foot warmers, a heart for my bracelet, a head and some arms for mother's doll, and anything else you want to bring me. Your little friend, Lucy Burkett, Jr.

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Dear Santa Claus: I have tried to be good this year. Please bring me a housecoat and a basket ball. Your friend, Louise Gil[illegible].

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Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy nine years old. I have tried to be good. I am not going to ask for much this year as this is a War Christmas. I want you to have enough toys to go around to all good little boys and girls. Will you please bring me a pistol and fire works and all kinds of fruit, nuts and candy, plenty of chewing gum. Remember my Mother, Daddy brother and sister. Bring them all something nice and be sure and visit my [illegible] White. She lives in Grayson County. This will be all this time. I hope to see you Christmas Eve. Your little friend, Clarence Lee Paysinger, Route 4, McKinney.

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Dear Santa: I have been a good little boy. Please bring me some blocks, station wagon, a little suit case for my clothes, some candy, fruit, nuts. Please bring Mother, Daddy, Gene, Gammaw Crit and Da Da Crit, Auntie, Uncle Ray, Mammaw Bess, Da Da [illegible], Uncle Jimmy something nice, too. Your little boy, James Ray Crittenden. P. S. Santa Claus, I will be at home in Dallas on Cole Street.

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Dear Santa: I am a little girl [illegible] years old and am in the first grade at school. Please bring me a big doll, Nurse's Aid set, vanity set and horn. Don't forget my three little nephews. Your little girl, Glenda Gayle Melton, Route 1, Celina, Texas.

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Dear Santa: I have tried to be a good boy and do hope you will come to see me. I want a cowboy suit and cowboy boots. If you can find a tricycle, I sure wish you would bring it, too. I would like to have some soldiers and an Army camp. Be sure and come to see Little David Shaw Terry. Your friend, Charles Ray Nelson.

Anderson County, Texas, was named for Kenneth R. Anderson, the last vice-president of the Texas Republic.

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We are pleased to add to our list of Weekly Democrat-Gazette readers Daisy Morrison, Route 3, [illegible] Celeste.

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Thanks to H. C. Langley, Route 5, McKinney, for a year's subscription to the Weekly Democrat-Gazette.

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[illegible] Womble, Route 1, Princeton gave us a friendly visit recently when he renewed his Weekly Deomcart-Gazette for [illegible]. Thanks.

Witness Annual Christmas Pageant At TSCW, Denton

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Faulkner and their guests, Misses Tennie Strickland and Mary Miller and their Pastor, Dr. Clifford S. Weaver, went to Denton Tuesday night. On reaching Denton this quintette of McKinney people were guests of Miss Maurine Faulkner, supervisor of Houston Hall, as well as a member of the faculty of the Texas State College for Women. The occasion of going to Denton was to witness the annual Christmas pageant depicting the birth of Christ. The pageant was written by Dr. Hubbard, the President of Woman's College. The ladies of the college took the part of the men as well as their own.

The pageant begins with the setting forth of the prophecies of Isiah and Micah and closes with the visit of the Wise men to bestow their gifts upon the young child. The entire atmosphere was full of reverence.

The audience was asked not to applaud any one scene not even at the close. The closing scene with tne cross appearing in the distance as Mary pondered these things was very beautiful and effective. It was a very deep religious experience, and Dr. Hubbard and Woman's College are certainly to be congratulated on this annual Christmas program. After the pageant the McKinney friends retired to Miss Faulkner's quarters, where they enjoyed a sandwich lunch before returning home.

Mrs. Maud Smith of Dump was shopping in McKinney Thursday.

J. S. Bristol of Plainview sends his renewal to his old home newspaper, the Weekly Democrat-Gazette for the coming year.

Mrs. N. M. McCurdy of Lazbuddie, Texas, renews her Weekly Democrat-Gazette another year. Thanks.

Bob Gordon of San Aneglo renews for the Weekly Democrat-Gazette for 1943 for which we thank him.

Mrs. D. B. Shrader has returned from a visit with relatives in Houston.

Mrs. E. M. Munroe of Houston has ourthanks for Weekly Democrat-Gazette renewal for the coming year.

Mrs. Alice Chambers of McKinney is a new Weekly Democrat-Gazette reader for 1943 whom we welcome to the list.

Mrs. Ralph Lafollette, Route 1, McKinney, is a new Weekly Democrat-Gazette reader whom we welcome to our list.

W. A. Flowers of Anna is a patient in the McKinney City Hospital for a few days treatment.

Joe L. Brown has ordered his Weekly Democrat-Gazette changed from Crowell to Tahoka, Texas.

W. L. Hendricks, Route 2, Anna renews for the Weekly Democrat-Gazette another year.

J. R. Aycock of Longview has aur thanks for Weekly Democrat-Gazette renewal.

HOLIDAY GREETINGS TO ALL

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PEACE ON EARTH ... ... GOOD WILL TO ALL MEN

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Lloyd LaFollette Dies Of Gunshot Wounds Tuesday

Well Known And Substantial Young Farmer Southwest Of McKinney Passes Away Suddenly Late Tuesday.

Lloyd LaFollette, 36, well known and substantial farmer living Southwest of McKinney, died suddenly of gunshot wounds late Tuesday afternoon at his home. He was alone at home at the time, his wife and daughter, Miss Jimmie, having come to McKinney to do some Christmas shopping.

When Mrs. LaFollette and daughter returned home, the daughter rushed into the house to show her father some Christmas gifts, when he was found in a sitting position in a chair, and a .38 postol on the floor near him. He passed away a short time later. Mr. LaFollette was a son of Chris LaFollette.

Funeral services will be held at the Harris Funeral Home at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon, conducted by Rev. D. A. Griggs and Rev. Joe Carl Johnson. Burial will follow in the Mt. Olive Cemetery, with the Parris Funeral Home directing.

Pallbearers will be George Montgomery, Click White, Leon Hobson, Dr. Scott Wysong, Jim Dowell, and Dub Lewis.

Surviving Mr. LaFollette are his wife, formerly Miss Louise Marion; daughter, Miss Jimmye, 14, a McKinnep High School student; father, Chris Lafollette and two sisters, Mrs. Tom Allen of McKinney and Mrs. John Apple of Dallas. His Mother passed away about 1920.

The deceased was a member of the Foote Baptist Church.

The body will be taken to his home Wednesday and will be returned Thursday to the Harris Funeral Home for the funeral services.

No razor blades required, give Him an Electric Remington Shaver. From Gamble's "Your Caretul Druggist."

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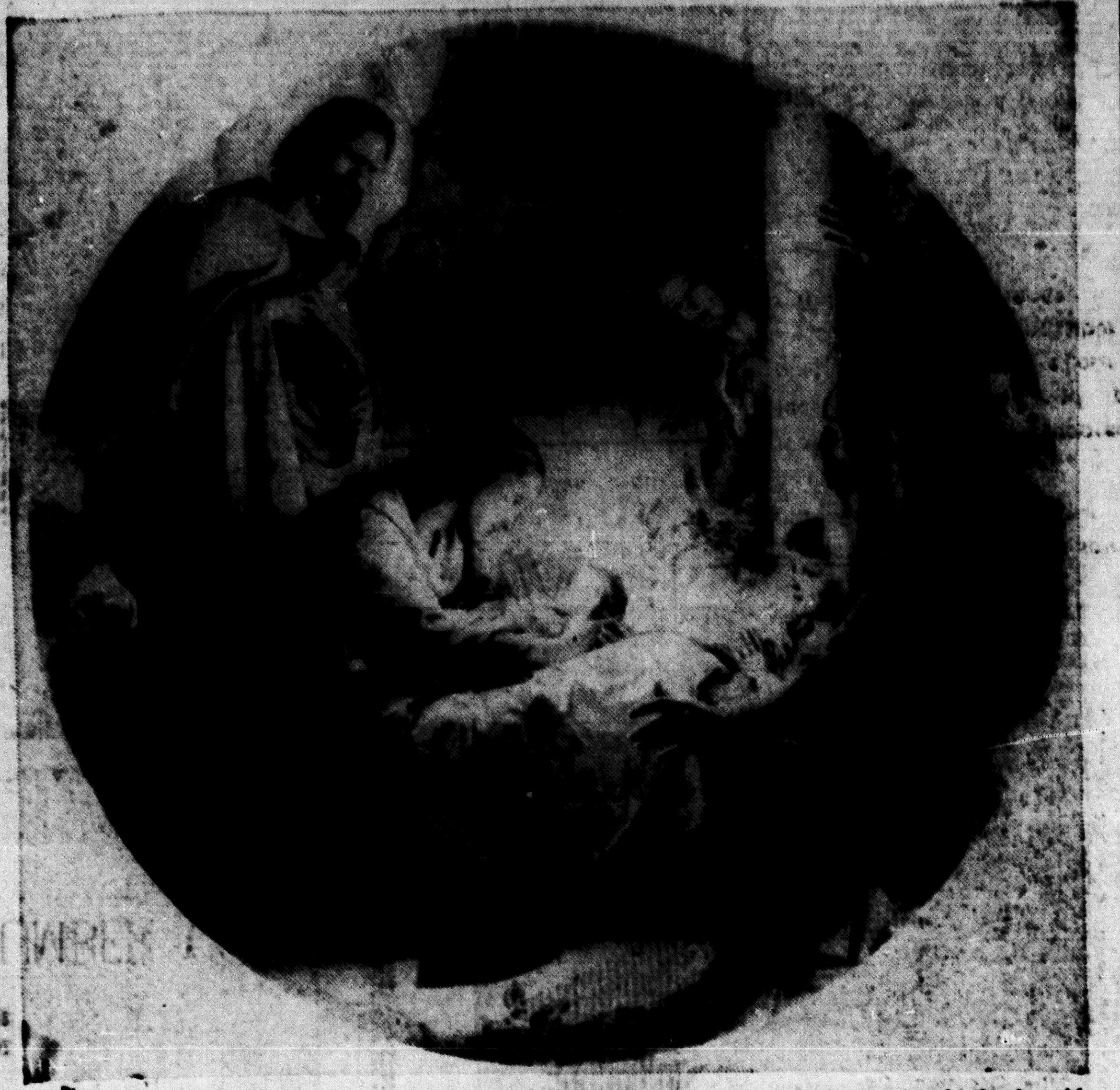
Johnnie Whisenant of Dallas was a McKinney visitor Saturday. He and his wife and baby recently moved to Dallas.

Mrs. Victoria Hall Stallcup of Celina is receiving treatment in the McKinney City Hospital.

Mrs. F. R. Ball of Tulsa, Oklahoma, orders the Weekly Democrat-Gazette for the coming year.

We are pleased to have Mrs. Cora Rodgers, Route 2, Blue Ridge as a reader of the Weekly Democrat-Gazette for another year.

". . . and Found the Babe Lying in a Manger"



". . . And it came to pass, as the Angels were gone away from them into Heaven, the shepherds said one to another, let us now go even unto Bethlehem, and see this thing which is come to pass, which the Lord hath made known unto us. . . . And they came with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the Babe lying in a manger."—Luke 2:15-16 The picture is a reproduction of the famous painting by Carl Mueller, done in Dusseldorf in 1885.

L. K. Long, of Killeen, Texas, renews his Daily Courier-Gazette for three months in advance.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Baker and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McTee were Dallas visitors Sunday.

Mrs. Bob Parr and Mrs. Ray Parr of Lucas were in town Wednesday.

Miss Pearl Martin of Woodlawn was in town aSturday.

Mrs. Madge Vinson of the Parker community was in the city Saturday.

Dr. R. E. Morrow and H. E. Moore of Blythe's Chapel had business in town Wednesday.

Morgan Brown of Allen was a McKinney visitor Saturday.

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Mrs. Ethel Duncan and Miss Mabel Duncan visited in the city Wednesday. They live in the Foote community.

R. L. McCauley of Dallas was a recent guest of his Mother, Mrs. Ola McCauley, in this city.

Joe Master and Clarence Smith were in from the Parker community Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kid Quisenbury ofthe Foncine community were in town Saturday.

Thanks to Willie B. Montgomery, Route 1, Nevada for Weekly Democrat-Gazette subscription the coming year.

Mrs. John Chandler of Chambersville was in town on business Thursday.

Thanks to R. A. Smith, Route 1, Princeton, for his subscription to the Daily Courier-Gazette.

Mrs. Ben Taylor of Frisco spent Thursday in McKinney.

Rev. A. H. Snider has entered the McKinney City Hospital for a few days treatment.

Mrs. G. O. Lowry of Fort Worth has our thanks for Weekly Democrat-Gazette renewal.

Mrs. R. R. Parker of Princeton has our thanks for Daily Courier-Gazette renewal.

Mrs. R. A. Roemmele of Paris renews her Weekly Democrat-Gazette for another year for which we thank her.

J. D. Snodgrass, Route 2, Celina renews his Weekly Democrat-Gazette to December 1, 1943 for which we thank him.

Mrs. J. N. Roney of Bryan renews for her home town paper, the Daily Courier-Gazette for several months in advance.

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Friday and Saturday—
"Forest Rangers"
Fred MacMurray
Paulette Goddard

Saturday Midnite—
"Moonlight In Havana"
Allen Jones - Jane Frazee

Sunday and Monday—
"The Navy Comes Through"
Pat O'Brien - Jane Wyatt

Tuesday and Wednesday—
"Invisible Agent"
Liona Massey - Jon Hall

Thursday—
"Highways By Night"
Richard Carlson - Jane Randolph

TEXAS

Friday and Saturday—
Buck Jones
in
"West of the Law"
No 7 Gang Busters

Sat. Midnite, Sun., Mon.—
Gary Cooper
—in—
"Sergeant York"

Tuesday and Wednesday—
Dorothy Lamour
William Holden
—in—
"The Fleet's In"

Thursday (Bargain Day):
Richard Cortez
in
"Tomorrow We Live"

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Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kerby and Mrs. Thomas Jones of the Forest Grove community were shopping with McKinney merchants Saturday.

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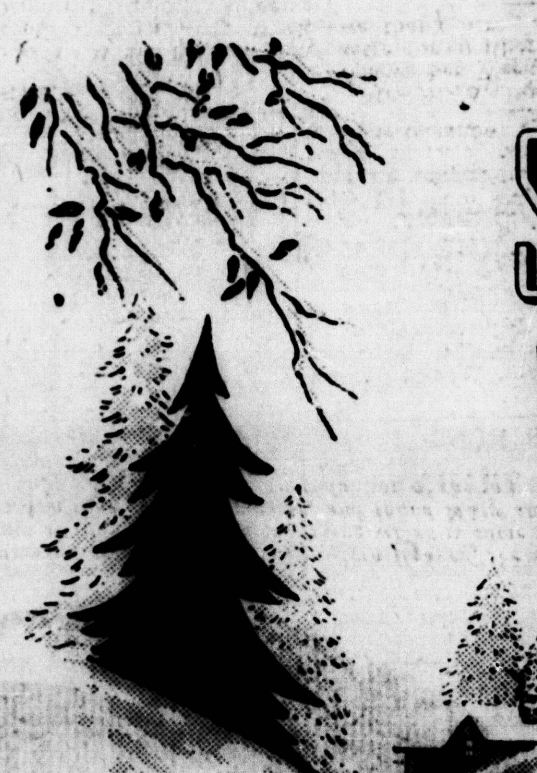
We cherish the thoughts of the fine friendships that have been ours in the past and we desire to take this means of expressing our genuine thanks for your courtesies.

We wish you the best of good things for Christmas and the New Year.

A. D. HOPE And SONS
McKinney, Texas



SINCERE WISHES
for a
JOYFUL CHRISTMAS
and a very Happy New Year

It is with all the earnestness within our hearts that we express our cordial Christmas Greetings to all those whom we have had the pleasure of serving during the past twelve months. Our good wishes go with each of you as you enter into the spirit of this occasion with your loved ones and friends.

We appreciate your patronage and pledge anew to improve our service in every way possible to merit its continuance.

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NEW RUSSIAN DRIVE THREATENS AXIS NORTHERN FLANK

Bus Plunges Into River

This freak accident happened when a heavily-loaded bus, en route from Boston to Brockton, Mass., plunged through a bridge into the Neponset river, as pictured. Twenty-six persons were injured.

Collin County Leads Other North Texas Counties In Cotton Ginned To Dec. 1

THIS COUNTY GINNED 46,586 BALES TO THAT DATE THIS YEAR AS COMPARED WITH 40,530 GINNED TO SAME DATE LAST YEAR.

Collin County led other North Texas and Southern Oklahoma Counties in cotton production in this section, ginning figures as of Dec. 1 reveal. Production figures as of Dec. 1 for this and last year were as follows:

County.	1942	1941
Collin	46,586	40,530
Cooke	6,504	6,721
Denton	14,230	12,927
Fannin	41,069	31,999
Grayson	31,499	28,020
Hunt	39,116	33,414
Lamar	25,840	16,524

Ginning census figures for two Oklahoma counties across the river were as folows:

Bryan	9,88	9,975
Marshall	3,661	2,988

Rotarians Will Meet Tuesday Noon

Dr. M. S. Minton Says Meeting Will Be Held Tuesday Instead of Friday, Christmas Day.

The Rotary Club will meet Tuesday at the First Methodist Church instead of Friday, the regular meeting date of the club, says the President, Dr. M. S. Minton. The meeting is changed this week because Friday is Christmas Day, however a full membership is expected at tomorrow's meeting. Dr. Minton is chairman of the program and the speaker for the occasion will be Rev. Earl J. Patton, Pastor of the First Methodist Church, who will bring a message in keeping with the season.

McKinney Young Man Is Second Class Seaman

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Dowlen, 601 West Lamar Street, have had a letter recently from their son, Reid, whose headquarters are at San Francisco, California. He is Second Class seaman and has been in the service since August 27. He states in his letter that he is feeling fine. Mr. and Mrs. Dowlen have another son, Allen, who is in the Navy and says he is O. K. Allen is an electrician Third Class. He has been in service since January 2. His letter was of November 25. They also have a daughter, Miss Verna Lee doing Civil Service in Washington, D. C. She likes her work having been there since June 7 of this year.

A. G. Mayse Heads War Fund Drive

Appointment of A. G. Mayse, Paris News publisher, and formerly of McKinney, as chairman of the Red Cross war fund drive is announced by J. C. DeShong, Chairman of the Lamar County Red Cross Chapter.

The drive will be held next March and the customary roll call will not be held, Mr. DeShong said.

Buy more War Bonds and Stamps.

Cotton

Cotton sold on the McKinney market today from 14 to 19 cents per pound.

Cotton seed are bringing $45.00 per ton on the local market.

Carl Edward Geer Is Commissioned Sec. Lieutenant

Son Of Mr. And Mrs. C. W. Geer Of Westminster Completes Officer Candidate Course At The Infantry School At Fort Benning, Georgia.

Carl Edward Geer, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Geer of Westminster, was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Army of the United States after completing the Officer Candidate Course at the Infantry School at Fort Benning, Georgia.

Lieutenant Geer went into the service January 19 this year and served with the 51st Bn Company C at Camp Wolters, where he held the rank of Corporal before entering Officers Training school.

He attended the Boyd High School in McKinney where he was outstanding in athletics, especially football, and was also a member of the Texas A. and M. football squad while a student there.

Charles S. Glascock, a twelve-year-old boy from Van Alstyne, is a patient in the McKinney City Hospital.

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A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Greenwade of Leonard in the McKinney City Hospital here Saturday.

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Mrs. Babe Renfro and baby daughter have been removed to their home in Allen from the McKinny City Hospital.

'Baby Beef' Turkeys, Raised By L. L. Stewart, Wife In E. Collin, Pay Big Dividends; Birds In Demand

Mr. Stewart Sells 2,500 Of These Big Tur-keys To Collin County Produce Company, Of Which A. A. Armstrong is Manager; Turkeys In Demand.

Successful turkey raising is a big business and L. L. Stewart, who lives five miles North of Farmersville in East Collin, knows the truth of the statement!

The Stewart family consists of Mr. Stewart, his wife and son, Gary, 7 years old. They have marketed 2,500 of their broad-breasted bronze turkeys, often referred to as "baby beef" type, to the Collin County Produce Company in McKinney, of which A. A. Armstrong is manager. The Grade A birds will find themselves gracing many Christmas dining tables in a few days.

Mr. Stewart has been raising turkeys for ten years, but only about half of that time has he specialized in the industry, devoting all his attention to raising the "baby beef type. The Toms are whoppers and weigh from 25 to 30 pounds. Not far behind are the hens, which weight from 16 to 20 pounds.

This type bird is developed for more white meat, shorter leg, and not much bone. They develop quicker and require less feed and usually bring a premium on the market.

Mr. Stewart, who prefers showing his huge birds instead of merely boasting about them in so many words, says all his turkeys are raised in incubators. He starts setting eggs about the first of March. The turkeys grow off fast. At the age of six months, the Toms will average 20 pounds, at 7 months 25 pounds and at 8 months 30 pounds. A turkey hen will average 30 to 40 eggs a season, he says.

These turkeys are raised on Mr. Stewart's 148 acre farm, which is fenced in to keep the turkeys from roaming. However, he says turkeys will stay at home if properly fed and watered. He "pets" them, so to speak, and confides that he has rigged up a water tank on a trailer and hauls his birds water wherever they may be on the farm, and keeps plenty of good feed out for them at all times.

These turkeys are Collin County products and Mr. Stewart's experience in raising these huge birds is proof they can ge grown as successfully in Collin County and in North Texas as in the Northern States, where they originated. They were purchased and prepared for market at the Collin County Produce Company in McKinney. Mr. Armstrong, Manager, says the birds are chilled and packed here and shipped in refrigerator cars to the various markets of the country, 1,800 to the car. Mr. Armstrong ships an average of about twenty-five cars of these dressed birds, each year, prized so highly for Thanksgiving and Christmas dining tables.

Although he has sold 2,500 turkeys this season, he is keeping 300 hens and thirty Toms for a start on next year's crop.

While Mr. Armstrong of the Collin County Produce Company says these are among the very best turkeys he has ever dressed, Mr. Stewart plans to better the quality of his birds and in fact is always on the alert to improve his product. In his thirty years inthe produce business in Texas, Mr. Armstrong says these fine birds are about the finest one could imagine. He also says the supply of turkeys this year, as compared with previous years, is far short of the demand and that what this country needs is more L. L. Stewarts.

Murray Frederick Evans Receives His Commission

Son Of Mr. And Mrs. R. F. Evans Of McKinney This City Is Commissioned A Second Lieutenant.

Murray Frederick Evans, 27, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Evans of this city, has completed taring in the sixth class of the Medical Replacement Training Center Officer Candidate School at Camp Barkeley, and has received his commission as a Second Lieutenant in the Medical Administrative Corps.

A Sergeant in the army noncommissioned ranks, Lt. Evans was a payroll clerk and bookkeeper in civilian life. He graduated from the Boyd High School and Texas A. and M. College, playing in the college orchestra and was also on the college paper staff. He married Miss Katherine Haynes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Haynes of this city.

Jewel Abernathy, Jr., who attends Texas University in Austin, is home for the Christmas holidays.

W. E. Barnes, Route 2, Blue Ridge sends the Weekly Democrat-Gazette to his son, Pvt. Sammie P. Barnes who is in a Sepecial Training Unit at Miami Beach, Florida.

News From War Front

The RAF again raided German industrial cities Sunday, when from 200 to 300 British planes destroyed air fields and railroad lines, luring the German luftwaffe in the air and possibly destroying as many as 100 planes.

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Colonel Eddie Rickenbacker says that men and women at home must not let the men down at the battle front and that we must make an additional effort to increase production.

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Sales of gasoline were resumed in seventeen Eastern States Monday after a sixty hour freeze.

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Reports indicate the Government will take fifty per cent of canned goods during the new year, presumably for the armed forces of the country.

CHRISTMAS CAROLERS SPREAD GOOD WILL IN CITY SUNDAY NIGHT IN TOUR OF McKINNEY

Miss Mary Joe Hamilton, Director, And Young Musicians Visit Friends, Singing Christmas Carols.

Braving inclement weather, the Christmas Carolers, directed by Miss Mary Joe Hamilton, toured McKinney Sunday night, singing Christmas Carols to those who are ill, shut-ins and other friends in the city. The Carolers, each Yuletide season, tour the city, singing Christmas Carols to friends and spreading sunshine and good will to everyone they visit.

In advance, they secure the names of as many friends as possible to visit, so as not to miss anyone who would enjoy hearing them. In fair weather or foul, they go about the city and their lovely, harmonizing voices, blending so perfectly in the singing of Christmas music, brings good will to all those hearing them.

They are receiving the plaudits of those they visited Sunday night for the splendid programs they rendered in all parts of the city.

JULIETTE FOWLER CHILDREN GUESTS OF FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH AT ANNUAL PROGRAM

Church Contributes $1,025.00 To Home At Sunday Morning Program; Dr. Clifford S. Weaver, Pastor, And Others Pleased With Offering This Year.

Superintendent J. Wilbur Thompson and General Secretary U. A. Saunders were all smiles Sunday morning at the First Christian Church when Deacon U. S. Arrington pulled the lever of the adding machine down for the last time and the tape showed a total cash offering of $1016.60. Some one quickly suggested that the sum be made an even $1025.00 which was done by various invididuals. The occasion was the annual visit of the children from the church home on Fulton Street in Dallas.

This was the twenty-third consecutive time that the Pastor, Dr. Clifford S. Weaver, had called for this offering. He explained in the beginning that he was not "pumping the offering" from the people but that "their interest and real old fashioned religion had already caused them to make decision as to what they expected to do. "All are doing," said the Pastor, "s to give you an opportunity to put your accumulated religion into practice."

The largest personal offering was $40.00 from Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Faulkner, the offerings ranging from this sum down. No respect was paid to the size of the offering. Indeed, the first amount called was for three dollars. One dear little boy was so anxious to make his offering that he came up on the paltform, where the Pastor was standing and brought a nickel saying he wanted in on this festival.

It really was a festival of giving and as is always the case the audience went out and reluctantly, too, but with hearts full of joy.

At the close of the public opportunity of giving the regular Sunday morning offering was made and also the loose offering of sums less than one dollar which many wished to make.

Altogether it was a wonderful religious experience. The members who had spoken early enough had these little friends from Juliette Fowler in their homes for the noon meal and delivered them back to the church at four o'clock for the return journey to Dallas. The trip was made in the school bus as gasoline was granted for such a trip and a part of the load went on to Sherman for a morning program and returning picked up the McKinney visitors.

They could not get gasoline for seperate trips on different Sundays to McKinney and Sherman, but making one trip in both Sherman and McKinney the allowance was readily granted for the special trip.

This wonderful day was climaxed with the weekly communion service at five o'clock in the afternoon and the annual "White Christmas" program. This was under the auspices of the Primary and Junior Departments under the direction of Mesdames Hal A. Dyer and George Wiley Wilson. Miss Tennie Strickland, the regular church organist, presided at the console and the Senior choir had their regular places to assist in the music. The Junior Choir formed the processional from the rear of the auditorium. It was a lovely and moving sight in these troubled times. The innocence of trusting childhood unconscious of the war torn world moved not a few of the oldsters to moisture of eyes.

As a climax to this reverent service the audience was released by the ushers a seat at a time to pass down to the front and bestow their gifts all wrapped in white and place them around the improvised cradle manger. These gifts are being distributed under the direction of the co-operators class and Mrs. Ererette Brandon is directing this delightful task.

Allen Couple Observe Golden Wedding Date

Mr. And Mrs. Hulett Jones; Parents Of Nine Children.

Mr. and Mrs. Hulett Jones of Allen celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary in the home where Mr. Jones has resided since coming to Texas in 1877 from Opelika, Alabama. Mr. and Mrs. Jones were married in Collin County.

They are the parents of nine. Daughters are Mrs. R. R. Leach of Denton, Mrs. J. D. Williams and Mrs. Ralph Carter of Fort Worth, Mrs. J. A. Bozeman, Mrs. Marie Angle of Dallas and Mrs. W. C. Sauell of Taylor. Their sons are Carl and Shaffer Jones of Allen and Cliff Jones of Denton.

RUSSIANS MOVING FORWARD ON THREE BATTLE FRONTS; AXIS RETREAT IN NORTH AFRICA

BRITISH ARMY CHASING THE AXIS FORCES IN NORTH AFRICA ONE THIRD OF THE WAY FROM EL AGNEILA TO TRIPOLI.

BULLETINS.

The new Russian drive, sweeping across the Don plains at the rate of 15 miles a day, is in its sixth day and continues to make progress in spite of fierce enemy resistance. The Russian drive is threatening the Northern flank of the German army and a heavy toll of axis tanks and men is being taken. The Russians continue to move forward on the other two battle fronts.

The British Eighth Army has chased the retreating axis army one third of the way from El Agheila to Tripoli and is engaging the axis rear guard in battle. Allied planes are harrassing the retreating forces of the enemy.

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An invasion of Australia is possible, a high official of that continent said, despite successes of the American and Australian forces in the Solomons. The situation in the Solomons, however, seems encouraging with tanks and their Allied reinforcements, having arrived in the Buna sector in New Guinea.

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The British army of General Wavell has advanced sixty miles into Burma and thus far has met no opposition from the Japanese in their new campaign.

Large numbers of the United States Flying Fortresses and Liberator bombers penetrated into German occupied France Sunday, and in a heavy daylight attack, lost six planes while blasting an enemy airfield at Romilly-Dur-Seine, eighty miles beyond Paris and 180 miles beyond the coastal frontier. About forty Fock-Wulf 190s and Messerschmitt 109s were shot down, one of the biggest bags yet scored by the huge bombers.

The pilots said the Germans rushed to the battle shortly after the bombers reached the French coast and hounded the Americans all the way to the target and back to the channel.

Dropping the bombs from altitudes of 20,000 feet, the Americans said they saw columns of smoke and debris flying in all directions from hangars and repair shops on the airfield, just outside Romilly-Sur-Seine.

Many enemy fighters were reported to have been destroyed, but the exact number was not known pending a check with the returning pilots.

The long overland flight afforded enemy fighters a wealth of time to climb into position to intercept the bombers. In addition to being the site of an imoprtant Nazi air field and plane park, Romilly-Sur-Seine also contains railways shops.

British troops were officially reported advancing at a point less than sixty miles from Akyab Sunday night in the continuing piecemeal invasion of Burma which must be freed of the enemy to give effective aid to China's fighting millions.

Surprisingly, no contact was made with the enemy, the communique said. Presumably the Japanese were falling back on Akyhab a strategic port city on the eastern side of the Bay of Bengal, as the British pushed Southwestward.

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French troops were disclosed Monday to have captured a Tunisian village fifty-six miles West of the Axis-held port of Sousse, inflicting considerable losses on the enemy and taking prisoners.

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Japanese troops have made a new drive from the south into China's southern province of Yunan in an apparent diversion thrust from Burma, a communique said Sunday.

Henry A. Wiley Camp Officers Named For Year

Walter C. Lewis Is Elected Commander, Succeeding A. W. Milstead.

The Henry A. Wiley Camp Number 29 United Spanish War Veterans met Friday night, December 18, and elected the following officers for the new year:

Walter C. Lewis, Commander.

Graves DeArmond, Senior Vice Commander.

Jack D. Worsham, Junior Vice Commander.

A. M. Russell, Trustee.

Albert W. Milstead is the retiring Commander. The new officers will be duly installed at the next meeting of the Camp in January.

J. P. THOMAS, Adjutant.

Earl Evans, Route 5, McKinney, is a new Weekly Democrat-Gazette reader.

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J. E. Mallow orders the Weekly Democrat-Gazette for his son, John Edwin Mallow Seaman S. C. at San Francisco, California.

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Lawrence Allen will read the Weekly Democrat-Gazette at Vallejo, California, his subscription having recently come to us.

Retailers And Wholesalers Roasted Coffee To Submit Quantity Coffee On Hand

REOUIRED TO SUBMIT TO THE COUNTY WAR PRICE AND RATIONING BOARD NOT LATER THAN DECEMBER 31 REPORT ON THE QUANTITY OF ROASTED COFFEE ON HAND NOVEMBER 28, SAYS ELTON RIGGS.

All retailers and wholesalers of roasted coffee are required to submit to the County War Price and Rationing Board not later than December 31, 1942 a report on the quantity of roasted coffee each had on hand on November 28, Elton Riggs, Chairma nof the Collin County War Price and Rationing Board, announced today.

Form R-1202, the form to be used by retailers and wholesalers who do not roast coffee, is available at the Board office, first floor of the Courthouse.

"Form R-1202 is to be used only by retailers and wholesalers of roasted coffee who do not roast green coffee," Mr. Riggs explained. "Retailers and wholesalers who roast green coffee are to use OPA Form No. R-1203 in making their reports."

Only one copy of R-1202 is required to be filled by an establishment which does not roast green coffee.

All retailers and wholesalers who roast ciffee must obtain Form R-1203 from the State Office of Price Administration. This report must be prepared in triplicate. One copy of this also must be filed not later than December 31 with the local board which serves the area in which the principal busines office of the firm is located; another copy must be sent at the same time to the Office of Price Administration, Washington, D. C. and the third copy should be retained by the retailer or the wholesaler.

Mr. Riggs emphasized the distinction: that retailers and wholesalers who do not roast coffee may obtain their report Form R-1202 from the local board office, while those who do roast coffee must obtain their report form, No. R-1203, from the State OPA office, Fort Worth Club Building, Fort Worth, Texas.

President Roosevelt's Christmas Message To Boy Scouts Of America

President Pays High Tribute To The Boy Scouts, And Says Their Contribution To The Building Of The Manly Virtues And To The Strengthening Of National Morale Makes It Deserving Of The Support Of All Citizens.

In his annual Christmas message to the Boy Scouts of America of which he is Honorary President, and in which he has been active for more than 18 years, President Roosevelt pays high tribute to the Boy Scouts, stating that "the contribution of this great voluntary organization to the building of the manly virtues and to the strengthening of our national morale makes it deserving of the support of all citizens."

The President's greetings to the nation's 1,570,962 Scouts, Air Scouts, Sea Scouts, Cubs and their leaders follows:

THE WHITE HOUSE,
WASHINGTON.

Christmas, 1942.

To The Boy Scouts of America:

In sending Christmas greetings and sincere good wishes to the Boy Scouts of America, I am reminded again of the debt of gratitude which the nation owes to Scouting. The contribution of this great voluntary organization to the building of the manly virtues and to the strengthening of our national morale makes it deserving of the support of all citizens.

(Signed)
FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT.

25 YEARS AGO IN M'KINNEY

FROM THE FILES OF THE AILY COURIER-GAZETT

(Thursday, December 20, 1917).

Miss Iva Martin of Melissa spent Wednesday afternoon in this city, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Hunt Bowlby.

E. B. Dixon, plumber and electrician of this city has gone to St. Thomas, Ontario, Canada where he will spend the holidays.

The First Baptist Church has installed gas heaters in its house of worship which will supplement the steam heat in very cold weather.

Miss Mildred Crouch, the talented daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Crouch, who is attending the college of Industrial Arts at Denton, is at home for the holidays.

Contractor W. J. Higgins recently completed a good rent house for Dr. W. E. Rucker on North College Street. Also one of the best negro residences in town for Hiram Berry, colored, located in Lewisville.

Jim Grandstaff and Miss Ruth Williams, well-known young people of the Roland community, were united in marriage Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Eld. John M. McKinney South Benge Street, this city, Eld, McKinney officiating.

Mrs. T. J. Taylor, formerly of this city, who is one of the teachers in the Weston school, was in McKinney this week attending the Teachers Institute. She is the wife of the late lamented T. J. Taylor, who was one of Collin County's ablest educators for several years, and was District Clerk here at the time of his death a year ago. Mrs. Taylor says she is being solicited by numerous friends to enter the race for District Clerk the coming year.

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With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right.—Abraham Lincoln.

Dollars for bonds mean weapons to win! Every individual in the United States must help foot the bill. Invest in a share of your country's freedom by signing up now for U. S. War Savings Bonds and Stamps. Do it regularly! Buy more . . . and more . . . and more!

The U. S. Department of Commerce reports that the birth rate in Texas jumped to 21.2 per 1,000 population in 1941, with an actual increase of nearly 10,000 births over the previous year. On the other hand, deaths which were less than half the number of births, dropped 2,000. This net gain of 75,000 citizens in one year indicates that both the stork and the grim reaper are co-operating to increase Texas' population.

CAR SHARING PROGRAMS.

Local Defense Councils and block leaders in Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and New Mexico are being asked to promote effective car sharing programs, R. E. Smith, Regional Director of the Office of Civilian Defense, says.

"We must keep private cars rolling because many of the workers in war production cannot get to work by bus or street car," Mr. Smith said. "Every American with a set of tires is a custodian of this Nation's rubber supply. When four car owners share cars, they spare twelve tires. I urge Civilian Defense Block leaders throughout the Southwest to make house-to-house canvasses to explain the details of car sharing to friends and neighbors."

In making this appeal to motorists of the Eighth OCD Region, Mr. Smith is asking car owners to join in the national program of car sharing which has been announced by James M. Landis, director of the United States Office of Civilian Defense.

"Share and spare" is the OCD advice on an effective solution to the national rubber shortage.

"If civilians will do their part in saving the rubber supply of the Nation," Mr. Smith said, "we can be assured that a steady supply of rubber will be going into the production of life-rafts, tank linings, and gas masks, as well as tires for jeeps, army trucks and airplanes."

LEST WE FORGET.

It must ever be borne in mind that in the last analysis the unspectacular plugging of private citizens in private industry is what is going to win the war. They are the people who are accomplishing production miracles.

They are the men who get the coal and metals out of our mines and the timber and food out of the mountains and from the land. They are the men who get the oil out of the ground, refine it to produce the cannon fall power required in modern war. They are the men who keep the assembly lines rolling. They are the milions of American workmen and business men without whom not a wheel would turn. They are the soul and the spirit of free enterprise.

In peacetime their energies were devoted to producing a better civilization. Today their energies are devoted to producing for war. Why? Because free enterprise and political liberty have been threatened by military aggression. To save our political liberty we must save free enterprise. We must save the right of a man to hold a job or operate a business without paying tribute to anyone.

The government and our military forces now need the products of industry, just as in peacetime the public needed them.

WORLD'S WHEAT HARVEST.

Summing up the present year's harvest results, the Department of Agriculture estimates the European wheat crop, exclusive of Russia, at about 1,380,000,000 (billions) bushels, says the New York Times. This would be approximately $40,000,000 less than in 1941. Europe produced 1,746,000,000 (billions) in 1933 and nearly as much in 1939. During World War I Europe's harvest fell as low, by the department's estimate, as 835,000,000 bushels in 1917, a year in which the American harvest also ran short, and we grew familiar with "wheatless days."

Estimates of Europe's yield can, under present circumstances, be little more than guesses. That its harvest should be larger than in the previous war is not improbable. In that war inhabitants of all the most fertile districts of continental Europe were actively at war, and the care of crops was left to women; whereas in this war Germany has seen to it that, in the states which it has captured and now occupies, harvests are gathered by the male population.

All this does not mean that the world harvest will have been reduced. The North American continent has raised wheat crops nearly or quite beyond their record. Our 984,000,000-bushel wheat crop has been only once exceeded; Canada's 608,000,000 crop is the largest ever harvested; so that the whole world's wheat harvest promises 230,000,000 bushels more than in 1941 and, at the department's estimate of 3,980,000,000 (billions), would exceed any year before 1928. So large was this surplus production as to lead the department to remark that the whole world's carryover at the end of the current marketing year will be so great as to leave an unusually large supply, even if world shipping were to be [illegible]

25 YEARS AGO IN M'KINNEY

FROM THE FILES OF THE DAILY COURIER-GAZETTE

(Monday December 20, 1917.)

Miss Grizelle Searcy of this city has accepted a position as stenographer for Attorney Wm. M. Jones at Farmersville.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert White of Dallas visited the former's Mother and sister, Mrs. M. J. White, and Mrs. Everett Mack, South Parker Street, this city, Sunday.

Dear Santa: Please bring me an engine which runs, soldier suit, sword, big ball glove and lots of good things to eat. Your little friend, Glenn D. Bryan, McKinney, Texas, Route 4.

Saturday afternoon about 5 o'clock Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brown, who live on Waddill Heights, were preparing to come to town in their automobile when the car caught fire and considearble damage was done to the machine before the flames were extinguished.

Carl Talkington came up from Dallas in his auto and spent Sunday at the home of his parents in this city. He returned last evening his sister, Miss Maude Talkington, and cousin, Miss Mary Jane Rector, returning to Dallas with him to visit relatives and friends for a few days.

Peyton Adams of Plano has accepted a position as freight clerk with the Houston & Texas Central at this place and began work this morning. He will move his family to McKinney in the near future. Peyton is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Greenberry Adams of this city and was born and reared here. His many friends will welcome his return to McKinney to live permanently.

25 Years Ago

(Tuesday December 18, 1917.)

Miss Myrtle Alexander of Anna was in McKinney Monday en route to Dallas.

Noah Hale and family were visitors in McKinney Monday from Altoga.

Herman Snider, son of Rev. and Mrs. J. Ben Snider, has accepted a position with the Browne Grain Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Logan are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby boy. Mr. Logan is proprietor of the Imperial Cafe of this city.

Mrs. B. F. Thorne who lives in the Lone Star Community near Weston, was recently thrown from a wagon and injured, her collar bone being broken besides other bruises and scratches.

Dear Santa Claus: I have been a real good boy and I would like for you to bring me a little automobile with a selfstatrer. That's all. Good-bye. Brother Jim Caldwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Emerson threw open the doors of their pretty home Friday night to Miss Tennie Strickland who presented her music class in a public recital. Sarah Elizabeth, the daughter of the Emerson home, appeared on the program several times during the evening, but she was truly a little "star" when she gave a gracious little folk dance. Others on the program were Francis Burrage, Mary Grace Morton, Sadie Dalton, Mary Leona Watson, Dorothy Largent, Hazel West, Frances Oates, Gladys Maxey, Gertrude Truett, Margie Davis, Annie Belden, Elsie Dale, Annie DeBow and Margaret West.

25 Years Ago

(Wednesday, December 19, 1917).

Mrs. D. C. Thomas of Rogers is a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. H. Berry.

T. A. Williams of Princeton was a business visitor in McKinney Tuesday.

W. B. Hansel of Dallas was a business viistor in McKinney Tuesday.

J. H. Nicholson of Melissa was here and called at this office to renew his subscription to the Weekly Democrat-Gazette.

Ed Walker and Miss Bettie McCreary surprised their many friends by driving to Wylie Tuesday night and getting married.

Dear Santa Claus: Please send me a nice overcoat and a little horn and fruit, nuts and candy. Your little friend, BURT MOULDEN.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hart of this city have as their guests for the holidays their daughter, Mrs. Hazel Jackson and little daughter of St. Louis.

Frank Nichols, son of Burrell Nichols of the Celina community, was thrown out of a wagon in a runaway near the home of Buck Winn, Southwest of Celina, and rendered unconscious for a while. He is now getting along all right.

Dear Santa Claus: I am writing you to ask you to please bring me a watch bracelet, a pair of white kid gloves, some red house slippers and candy, nuts and fruits. I will be at my grandmother Mattison's so please don't forget me. With love, [illegible] HERNDON.

WESTON

By Miss Mary Button

Mrs. Amy Culwell has been infromed that her grandson Staff Sergeant T. D. Harris a native Westonite is now in Africa. He is with the mechanical division of the army air force and has been in England since summer.

Miss Lena Stiles of Dallas spent last week here with her mother, Mrs. Ben Stiles who is ill. Another daughter Mrs. Wayne Buchanan also of Dallas is here this week with her mother.

Mrs. Minerva George has learned that her son Private Edgar George is a patient in the post hospital at Camp Claiborne, La. undergoing treatment for his eyes.

Mrs. John Payne and daughters spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Ira Crosswhite and family near Celina.

Freeland Van Hoozer has received word from his son Private Ralph Van Hoozer that he has been transferred from Fort Sill, Oklahoma, to Camp Phillips, Selina, Kansas.

Miss Lavern Cameron of Dallas visited her parents Mr. and Mrs. Troy Cowan this week-end.

B. D. Shook, 78, of near Whitesboro formerly of Weston was visiting here Thursday. He stated that he had been actively engaged as a painter and paper hanger for over 50 years but expects to retire in two more years when he is 80.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Cassaday spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Doug. Cassaday at Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. John Brown at McKinney.

The Rev. John H. Kerby, Methodist pastor was presented with a pounding and Christmas remembrances last week including food clothing and linens.

Mr. and Mrs. Beecher Ball visited last week with Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Brimer while enroute from California to Dallas to make their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Robinson have learned that their son Pvt. Harold Robinson is a patient in the post hospital at Camp Adair.

Cecil Cook has been named school trustee and Mrs. Oscar Jones has been elected president of the Parent-Teachers replacing Mr. and Mrs. Ben Grover who held the places before moving to the Cottage Hill community.

Mrs. Jettee Craft has gone to Florida to visit her husband, Pvt. Craft who is stationed there with the Army.

M r.and Mrs. Guy Wilson and family have moved to the H. D. Gilbert farm and wil loperate it for the coming year.

R. C. and Dennis Cook, Jr. of Dallas spent the week-end here with relatives and friends.

Mrs. John Cave spent last week in Fort Worth with her husband who is employed there as a guard.

Miss Addie Belle Smallwood of Dallas was here this week-end visiting her mother Mrs. Edith Smallwood.

The Rev. Jack Bodard of Ft. Worth is to fill his pulpit at the local Christian Church, Sunday.

The Rev. John R. Hilger of Greenville is to fill his speaking appointments at the Baptist Church this week-end.

Steamship Is Launched

Named In Honor Of Late Fred Kenneth Moore, Son Of Rev. And Mrs. Fred Moore Of Hunt County.

Monday, December 21 at 11:30 o'clock a ceremony in the Brown Ship Yards at Houston was held, when a Steamship named for Fred Kenneth Moore was launched This young man was killed at his station on a battleship in Pearl Harbor December 7, 1941. His parents received the Navy Cross awarded to him for heroic conduct as he had refused to leave his post and was killed by a Japanese bomb. He was killed on his 20th birthday.

Young Moore is the son of Rev. and Mrs. Fred Moore of Hunt County. On the program of the launching his father delivered the invocation and his Mother christened the ship. Congressman Sam Rayburn, Secretary of Commerce Jesse Jones and Secretary Frank Knox spoke on the program which was carried over radio station KRRV.

Mrs. Ray Luscomb of Anna was a business visitor in McKinney Thursday.

BUYS NORTH McKINNEY RESIDENCE.

A. M. Heifner has recently purchased a good 5-room residence, 815 North Kentucky Street. We assisted in making the sale. You usually find the best bargains listed with us. R. L. HIGHT, McKinney.

Mrs. J. Ed Rhea of Corpus Christi has arrived to spend the holidays here with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Heist and other relatives.

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There is no battery shortage at present and there is no reason to expect that batteries will not continue to be produced in sufficient quantities to keep the cars of the country on the road, according to Curt Muser, manager accessories and battery department, United States Rubber Company.

"Many persons, hedging for the future, are purchasing batteries and hoarding them unnecessarily," Muser charged, "and if certain precautions are not observed, the batteries will gradually discharge and lose an increasing amount of their capacity permanently."

Muser urged those who have already purchased batteries to have them charged periodically so that they will be kept in good workin gcondition.

"If the car owner has a battery charger of his own," Muser said, "he should inspect the battery every two weeks, charging it periodically so that it will not fall down below a hydrometer reading of 1,225. Otherwise, the battery will gradually discharge, the plates will sulphate and permanently lose their capacity. Batteries which are allowed to discharge over a long period of time can never be returned to their full capacity no matter how long they may be charged.

"Under gasoline rationing, the average car will not be driven enough to keep the battery charged. The smart driver can therefore save himself trouble and expense if he will have his battery inspected regularly and charged by his local dealer. Also, in cases where customers lay up their cars, batteries can be saved by having them stored with and kept charged by the local battery dealer.

"Many customers, under the impression that batteries were not going to be available, purchased so-called 'dry' batteries. Car owners should be sure to check such purchases to see whether the battery was actually one manufactured to be sold in the dry state or merely had the electrolyte solution poured out of it. In the latter case, batteries should be returned at once to a reputable battery dealer to have the correct solution returned to it and to have the battery recharged at once. Failure to do so will cause permanent damage to the battery and the mere addition of water is insufficient to return the battery to its working state.

"The best procedure for car owners today is to be sure they have their batteries checked regularly and kept charged." Muser concluded, "idle batteries will starve to death under reduced driving unless recharged regularly."

Corporal Orvis Glenn May Is In California

Blue Ridge Young Man Is Son Of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. May And Is Enjoying Furlough In This City Anl County

Corporal Orvis Glenn May of Fort Ord, California, is spending a few days furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. May and family at Blue Ridge and his sister, Mrs. A. J. Press and Mr. Press in McKinney.

Corporal May has been in the service of Uncle Sam since April 1940, volunteering his services. He has been in camp training at several places, his first training being in Camp Grant, Illinois. Since then he was at three different camps in California and is now at Fort Ord, as previously stated. This is the second time Corporal May has visited his parents since his enlistment. He was reared at Blue Ridge, attending High School there and is well-known in East Collin. He is in the Medical Department of the 73rd Evacuation and says he likes Army life fine.

While here on his fifteen day leave he has been entertained by relatives and frinds. Thursday evening a Chicken roast was held at the home of his parents, when an enjoyable time was had. Following the delicious supper Bingo and "42" were the diversions. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Randles and daughter, Barbara, of Plano; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Montgomery, Mis Mildred Montgomery, of Farmersville; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Carley of Sherman; Mr. and Mrs. Herman May and son Wayne, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. May, Miss Jean May of Blue Ridge; Mr. and Mrs. Pres of McKinney and Corporal Orvis Glenn May.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Tilley To Ft. Worth

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Tilley and children will move to Fort Worth about the first of the coming week, Mr. Tilley having a position with the Consolidated Aircraft corporation there. He has been with the plant for some time. Their son, Raymond Tilley, also holds a position with the same plant and expects to move his wife and baby to Fort Worth about Christmas. Before leaving Mrs. Tilley called by our office and ordered the Weekly Democrat-Gazette for the coming year stating that she hall to have her home town and county paper if she lived away from McKinney.

Enjoys Telephone Conversation With Son In Maryland

Mrs. T. J. Blankenship recently enjoyed a telephone conversation with her son, A. G. Blankenship, who is in the army, being stationed at Aberdeen, Maryland. He has been in the Army for four months, and just recently was dismissed from the Hospital, where he had been a patient. He stated that he would not get to come home for the holidays. However, his wife, who is working at the Consolidated Aircraft factory in Fort Worth, is leaving this week-end for Aberdeen to spend Christmas with her husband.

John Brown At Corpus Christi

Relatives in McKinney were pleased to learn of the transfer of John Brown from Pensacola, Florida, to the Naval Air Base at Corpus Christi. Mr. Brown has been an instructor at Pensacola. He has the rating of First Class Boatswain Mate. He has been in the service for some twenty years, having just retired when he reentered the navy about two years ago. He has a number of relatives and friends here who are happy that he has been transferred back to Texas and feel he can continue to render his country valuable service in his new location.

Doyle Clifton Strickland Is Commissioned

Doyle Clifton Strickland of McKinney, Texas, was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army of the United States today upon successful completion of the Officer Candidate Course at The Infantry School at Fort Benning. Lt. Stirckland is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Strickland of McKinney, Texas.

The new lieutenant enlisted was inducted into the army on May 8, 1934, and served from 1939-1942 with the 23rd Infantry, Fort Sam Houston, Texas Air Corps, Hawaii before going to Officer Candidate School three months ago. He held the rank of Technical Sergeant before being commissioned.

At The Infantry School, world's largest institution of its kind, the local officer took, a three months course to fit him for his responsibilities. The course covers the technique of handling all the varied modern infantry weapons and the tactics of leading small infantry units in combat. It also includes study of many varied subjects which future officers must know along the lines of administration, military law, etc.

The men who attend the Officer Candidate Schools are the best privates, corporals and sergeants from the entire army, selected by their superiors for outstanding intelligence and qualities of leadership. During the course even the mildly incapable are weeded out, so that the men who graduate with commissions are America's finest soldiers, fully qualified to be the leaders in our new army.

McKinney Masons Confer Degree At Dorchester

St. John's Lodge No. 51 A. F. & A. M. conferred the Master's Degree on a candidate at Dorchester, Texas, Thursday night, with a large attendance of North Texas Masons. Prior to the conferring of the degree, the visiting Masons were entertained with an oyster supper in the High School Cafeteria.

Those attending from McKinney and their part in conferring the degree are:

T. C. McBee, Sr., W. M.
R. Percy Jones, S. W.
Carl McBee, J. W.
A. Blaine Smith, Secretary.
Tom G. McBee, Jr., S. D.
Walter A. Massie, J. D.
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Jim Walkup.
Wm. Lewis Brown.
Everett M. Brandon.
J. T. Henry.
T. O. Murray.
Elwood Butler.
Rev. H. F. Vermillion.
Joe Bowen.
M. L. Walling.

The McKinney Masons greatly enjoyed the event and were tendered every recognition and courtesy during their visit.

First Baptist Cradle Roll To Have Yule Tree

The Cradle Roll and Beginners departments of the First Baptist Church will have a Christmas tree in the Cradle Roll department of the church Sunday morning at 9:45 o'clock. All children of the department are invited.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Kirby of Wetsel were in town Wednesday.

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WESTMINSTER

By Mrs. Claud Beck

Wallace McHone from McKinney and his niece Mrs. Farris Brown from Corpus Christi visited his sister Mrs. Eam Brown, Thursday.

Mrs. W. A. McDougle was taken to the McKinney Hospital Thursday, seriously ill and is not any better, her daughter Mrs. Beulah from New Boston is at her bedside.

Mr. and Mrs. L. McGee visited their daughter and family Mr. and Mrs. Estes Garner at Blue Ridge Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. McCarley were in McKinney, Tuesday, shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted London and Mr. and Mrs. Belton Hartness went to Sherman Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lue Rutledge from Dallas attended Sunday School here Sunday.

Mrs. Willie Judd and son from Galveston are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Webb.

Little Miss Silvia Sue Simpson from McKinney is spending a few days with her aunt Mrs. C. W. Geer.

Mrs. Jimmie Webb, Mrs. W. L. Hall, Mrs. C. W. Geer and Mrs V. C. Beck were shopping in Mc Kinney, Tuesday. Mrs. C. W Geer attended a red cross meet ing while there.

Mrs. Sonny Collin has bough the Helpy-Self washer from Mr Malcolm Penney.

Earl Ray McFerrin visited Mr and Mrs. Kermet Giles in Dallas last week-end.

The Home Demonstration Clu met Thursday with 12 present Had a Christmas program and ex change gift. Fruit pop corn wa served to the following. Mrs. Billy Webb, Mrs. Lyde Giles, Florence Giles Jewel Hall, Frank Beck, Mrs. C. W. Geer and littl niece Silvia Simpson, Myrtl Hendrix, Mrs. A. L. Johnson an two visitors, Mrs. R. M. McCarley and Mrs. Willie Judd an son.

Mrs. W. O Griffen has been a the bedside of her daughter, Mrs Burt Durham at Jamestown.

Mr. and Mrs. Burt Durham ar rejoicing over a baby boy.

Mrs. A. L. Johnson and Mrs. C W. Geer and Mrs. Dow Powel went to Whitewright Sunday an heard a woman lecture from Russia.

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$3 Auto License, Ad Valorem Tax Measure To Be Introduced

Representative Charles V. Lansberry of Round Rock will present bills in the Forth-Eighth Legislature to lower the automobile licensing cars until the owners can present receipts showing payment of ad valorem taxes on them.

Mr. Lansberry said he is doing preliminary work on both bills now. The flat $3 license fee bill was introduced at the last session of the Legislature, but did not receive floor consideration. The Representative said the measures were companion bills and should be treated as such by the Legislature. Mr. Lansberry did not introduce the bill to require payment of property taxes before getting automobile plates at the last session.

The Legislature had no estimate of the amount of ad valorem taxes that might be collected if motorists had to show tax receipts before getting new licenses.

"But I know lots of folks in my part of the State don't render or pay property taxes on their automobiles," he said. "Undoubtedly the proportion is higher in metropolitan areas where thousands of persons render no property for taxes."

Minute Sermon

Pastor Full Gospel Tabernacle.

At this glad Christmas season while the delightful charitable spirit is in the air and hearts of mankind, it might be profitable to turn our thoughts to this direction again this week for our minute sermon.

In many thousands of pulpits, Christmas programs, radio and printed pages throughout the world, will be the familiar words of the angels whose voices rang out clear and loud on that first Christmas night "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men."

What a strange background for these immortal words as they resound again this year. The critic will sneer at them as he always has, whether the world is at peace or in war. Irony will be the retort of the unbeliever. And many innocent people will fall in line with these joy-killers and become morose, bitter, and resentful and miss the joy of this glorious Christmas season.

Say! Let's you and I beat the devil at his own game, and realize that God knew when these words were spoken on that first Christmas night, that this old world was scheduled to go through wars and trouble until the end of time. And the morbid critic who would question the wisdom of God knows full well that there were wars and troubles before Christ came into this world.

It was for this reason that Jesus came that He might bring Peace to mankind. And though the world outlook is gloomy the uplook in the hearts of God's people is mighty fine. Peace among nations was not necessarily the mission of Jesus. His work was to bring Peace to the hearts and lives of those who believed on Him. And, while the world is troubled and distressed the sweet Peace of God can and does work effectively in the lives of His people.

Locality, or environment, or the whereabouts of man makes no difference to the child of God. Remember the pure white lily grows in the mire. God says the Christian is the salt of the earth, in other words the Christian is what keeps this old troubled world balanced. Did you ever try to eat food which had no salt in it.

This world without Christians or Christian influence in it would b ea hell on earth. But Christians and Christian influence is still here, and let's Praise God for it and sing again with renewed hope. "Peace on earth, good will toward men."

The total annual expenditure by the Texas government for educational purposes exceeds $58,000,000.

60 McKinney Boys Are Entertained By Local Rotarians

Some sixty boys of the city were guests of McKinney Rotarians Friday night for the annual Boys' Night Banquet held at the First Christian Church. The spacious banquet hall was decorated in keeping with the Yuletide with the Christmas tree one of the attratcions.

A delicious turkey dinner with all the appetizing accompaniments was served after which the lads engaged in contests and games. Favors were awarded to the boy with the most freckles on his nose and to the one who could whistle the loudest. The fellows were then allowed to "pull some strings" which had gifts of toys attached to them. Other favors included bags of apples, oranges, candy and nuts and a great deal of merriment was created when old Santa himself arrived and gave each of the boys some Christmas candy.

The Rotarians have been following a custom of entertaining boys of the city every Christmas, and each year the event proves to be a big success. The Rotarians provide the dinner and favors and each invites two boys as his guests. These boys are selected from the four ward schools of the city and are recommended by the principal and teachers. The event is looked forward to by these little fellows every year as much as by their genial hosts because the entertainment always proves an enjoyablle one.

Rotarians Earl Slaughter and Tom Hughston had charge of the arrangements for Friday night's banquet, the former presiding, and the party opened with a songfest, led by Rotarian W. Hammod Moore.

BRENHOLTZ-GIDDENS.

Miss Virginia Giddens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Giddens of this city, became the bride of Gerald Brenholtz of Denton at 8 o'clock Saturday night, December 12, at the home of the bride's parents. Dr. R. A. Clifton, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, read the impressive double ring ceremony in the presence of relatives and a few close friends of the couple.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Her gown of white crepe was designed with a lace trimmed fitted bodice and a short, full skirt. Her flowers were a Colonial bouquet of white carnations.

The couple were attended by Miss Marie Giddens, sister of the bride and Wayne Taylor of the Faculty of the North Texas State Teachers College.

A small reception was held after the ceremony with Mrs. Willard Giddens presiding at the bride's cake. The cake was served with hot punch by Joanne Brenholtz and Jean Giddens.

Mr. and Mrs. Brenholtz returned to Denton where they both expect to be graduated from NTSTC at the spring convocation. When she left, the bride was wearing a suit of soldier blue with white blouse and brown accessories. Her corsage was white carnations.

The bride graduated from High School in McKinney and was also popular in the younger social set here .The bridegroom is the son of Lieutenant and Mrs. Harold Brenholtz of Denton, where he is also a student in the North Texas State Teachers College.

Out-of-town guests for the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Willard Giddens and children, Warren and Jean, Mrs. Gill C. Masters ,all of Dallas; Lieutenant Brenholtz of Greenville and Mrs. Brenholtz and children Eddie, Joann and Bill, of Denton.

Mrs. J. H. Taylor Has Letter From Son In Canada

Mrs. J. H. Taylor, 1301 East Greenville Street, received a letter from her son, John H. Taylor, who is in Canada. He tells his Mother he was promoted last week, now being a Sergeant. He has been in the service since last January and thinks he will be able to get a furlough next month. When he first entered the service he was at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, then transferred to Seattle, Washington. At present he is in Canada and prior to that was at Fairbanks, Alaska. He is having many interesting experiences in those Northern countries where he is doing road construction work.

Former Collin Woman Living In Nebraska

Mrs. Chester Cunningham is now living in Lincoln, Nebraska, where her husband is in the service at U. S. A. A. F. 18th T. S. S. Bks, 825 Army Air Base. She is working in Woollworth's Store there and likes living in Nebraska fine. Mrs. Cunningham will be remembered as Miss Bonnie Price before her marriage, her family residing in this county.

Corporal T. H. Hill Is Visitor

Likes The United States Marines; His Wife Is The Former Miss Virginia Lonsford Of McKinney

We appreciate a visit this week from Corporal T. H. Hill, who is located in San Diego, California, in the United States Marines and who is here on a furlough. He has been in the service for nearly a year and likes the Marines. His wife is the former Miss Virginia Lonsford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Lonsford of this city. Corporal Hill is a fine young American and a typical Marine, who thinks there is nothing like the Marines.

James Ray Crittenden, fine young son of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Crittenden of Dallas, but formerly of McKinney, is spending a few days in McKinney with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Crittenden and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ashley.

Mrs. Walter Price, Sr., has gone for an extended visit to her daughter, Mrs. W. F. Algary and Mr. Algary. Mr. and Mrs. Algary have a fine young son, Billie Page Algary, who will enjoy greatly his grandmother's visit.

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Private Charles E. May Located At Salina, Kansas

Private Charles E. May whose home is in McKinney, Texas is now stationed at the Army Air Base, Salina, Kansas.

Mr. May attended school at the local high school and he says that he never had a better time in his life. To Mr. May the Army has been nothing but a school and he seems to enjoy Army life to the fullest extent.

In civilian life he had a grocery store and a filling station and he says that when the United Nations have licked the pants off of the Axis that he is going back to his business again.

Mrs. A. C. Bullock, Mrs. Scotty Abernathy and Mrs. Enoch Burnside visited their husbands at Camp Wolters in Mineral Wells Thursday afternoon.

Thad Parris Sends Weekly To His Son-In-Law

Thad Parris of Melissa orders the Weekly Democrat-Gazette sent to his son-in-law, Charlie B. Coffey, 330 W. Date Street, San Diego, California, for the next six months. Mr. Parris sends the paper as a Christmas present. Mr. Coffey has been in San Diego for the past four months in war work. His wife, the former Miss Dixon Parris, and their children are remaining in McKinney. We appreciate the patronage of Mr. Parris and know that the paper will be a welcome gift to his son-in-law, in that he can keep up with the news of his family and friends at home.

Sergeant C. E. Franklin of San Antonio, has been visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Bettye Massey of the Roland community.

Wm. Cantrell, Rev. W. J. H. Petter Are McKinney Visitors

We appreciate a friendly visit Thursday from Wm. Cantrell, member of Speaker Sam Rayburn's secretarial staff, of Greenville, who is at home for the Yuletide season. He was accompanied by Rev. Wm. J. H. Petter of Greenville, Rector of St. Peter's Episcopal Church in this city.

In company with Secretary W. Hammond Moore of the McKinney Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Cantrell visited the new war hospital, being built just Northwest of McKinney and is highly pleased with the progress of construction. He commends the fine type of work of the hospital and commented favorably on its permanent structure, a fact which this city, county and section of the State appreciate.

Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy 7 years old. Please bring me some Airgun shells, a train, nuts, candy and fruit. Donald William Ramsey.

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Dear Santa: I am a little red headed girl four years old. I want a doll, tricycle and scooter, lots of fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget the other little boys and girls. Your little friend, Barbara Sue Wynn.

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Dear Santa Claus: I am a little red headed girl six years old and go to school at North Ward School. I want a doll, football and houseshoes and lots of fruits, nuts and candy. Your little friends, Patsy Gayle Wynn.

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Dear Santa laus: I am a little girl 4 years old and I want a big tricycle, a bathinette for my doll: I want a doll with ice skates and a doll with lots of clothes. Also a small Doctor's Kit. Remember all the other little boys and girls and leave them some toys and candy, too. Your little friend, Beverly Marie Colling.

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Dear Santa Claus: I'm going to start being good now. My name is Dixie Sue. Sometimes its sunshine. I live on Wood Street and my birthday is Valentine. Now I'm four. Please bring me a Doctor set and don't forget my uncle, who is somewhere in England. He wants an Army suit. How are your little helpers and Mrs. Santa and Donald Duck? I love you, Dixie Sue Rhodes. P. S. Don't forget Mother and Daddy, Pat and Theda Fae. How did you get over here?

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Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl ten years old. I go to J. W. Webb school and have three teachers. I love them all. I have tried to be a good little girl. Will you please bring me a news set, pair of boots and pair of house-slippers, and anything else you have to bring, also fruit, nuts and candy. Don't forget all the soldier boys. Bring them something nice. Your little friend, Eva Nell Nolen, Route 3, McKinney.

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Dear Santa Claus: I would like for you to bring me a football, caps for my gun, some candy, nuts, oranges and apples and chewing gum. And Santa, I realize you are at war and I don't want anything that you need for our brave young men in battle. Please Santa, don't forget the little boys and girls of our aliens, and don't forget my nephew, Jerry Lee Furr, who is only twenty-one months old. You can decide what is best for him. I am nine years old and will be looking for you Christmas Eve. One of your very best boy friends, Eugene Furr, Route 4, (Rhea's Mill) McKinney.

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Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl eight years old. Please bring me a doll, doll wardrobe, purse, gloves, books, nuts, fruit and candy. Remember my mother, daddy and sisters and all the little boys and girls. Your friend, Betty Jean Travillion.

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Dear Santa: Please bring me a Doctor's Kit and an erector set, an airship, a fort and a set of soldiers, fruit, nuts and candy. I have tried to be a good boy. Please bring my little brother what he wants. Love, JAY CRUM.

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Dear Santa: Please bring me a steam shovel, a road grader, a carpenter's set and other toys and candy, fruit, nuts and firecrackers. Jay and I have been good boys. Love, Tom Waide Crum.

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Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 3 years old. I have been a good little girl. I would like for you to please bring me a little tub and rub board, a little piano and little broom, some candy, fruit and nuts. Your little friend, Georgia Ann Settle, Route 2, Anna, Texas.

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Dear Santa: I am a little girl two and a half months old. I have been a good girl. I would like for you to please bring me a little rubber doll, a rattler and some oranges. Your little friend, Ida Belle Settle, Route 2, Anna.

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Dear Old St. Nick: I am a little boy eight years old and in the Fourth grade. I have been a good boy. I want you to please bring me a B. B. Gun and lots of B. B.'s, some fruit, nuts and candy too. Your truly, Clyde Monroe Settle, Route 2, Anna, Texas.

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Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 6 years old. I have tried to be a good little girl this year. I want you to bring me a doll buggy, doll bed, ring, set of dishes, candy and fruit. I love you very much Santa. I will leave you some fruit cake and coffee. We don't have much coffee so it will be weak. Don't forget my sister, Zelda. SYBIL JANE JORDAN.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl 7 years old. I am in the Second grade. I want a doll, a Doctor and nurse set. I have a little brother, Claudie, two years old. He wants a Cowboy suit. Remember all the other little boys and girls. Your friend, Norita Donaldson.

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Dear Santa: Will you please bring me a black board and some colored chalk, also some roller skates. I am seven years old and in the second grade. My little three-year-old brother wants a truck, ball and a French harp. Bring plenty of fruit, nuts and candy. Please remember to bring my teacher something nice. Her name is Miss Doris. Love, Betty Jean Neill.

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Dear Santa: I am six years old, go to school at South Ward school and like it very much. I hope you can bring me a nice black board and a chair. That's all I need as I have lots of toys. Don't forget little Ann. She is walking this year and this is her first Christmas. Bring her lots of nice toys. Our tree is up and ready for you. Think of all the other little children and don't forget Daddy and Mom. Your pal Charles Chastain.

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Dear Santa Claus: I want a bicycle Christmas and please bring me some oranges and some apples too. Your little friend, James Roland.

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Dear Santa Claus: I am nine years old. I want a doll, a book, a game and a housecoat, if that isn't too much. Don't forget my sister. She is eleven. If you don't get around to us that is all right. Your friend, Judith Hill.

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Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a housecoat, a gown, pair of house shoes, a bed jacket, a ball of soap and anything else you want to bring. Your little friend, Wilma Steffey.

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Dear Santa Claus: I am a little boy and my hair is red and eyes are blue. Please come see me and bring me a pair of skates. Thank you and goodbye. Your little friend, Tommy Haggard.

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Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a bicycle and a tool set and some candy and some nuts. I have been a good boy. Your little friend, Jimmy Woods.

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Dear Santa Claus: I am a big girl nine years old. Please bring me a doll and a burning set. Don't forget the other little boys and girls. Your friend, Georgene Seigler.

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Dear Santa Claus: I have been a nice little girl. Please bring me some skates, a bicycle, a big ball and a doll. Your little friend, Margaret Reeves.

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Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a burning set and a plane, a bicycle and a chemical set. I am nine years old. Your little friend, James Wilson Griffin.

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Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a bicycle for Christmas and I would like to have a pocket knife, too. I have been a good boy all year and I would like to have a plane that costs 39 cents, too. Your little friend, Bobby Hanna.

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Dear Santa Claus: I have been very good this year so I hope you can bring me a bicycle and please bring me a housecoat and shoes and if you can, please bring me a ring. Your little friend, Jeannie Hyde.

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Dear Santa: I am a good little boy five years old. Will you please bring me an electric train, roller skates, fruit, nuts, candy and anything else you have to bring me. Your little boy, Jimmy Connor.

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Dear Santa Claus: I love you. I would like a Queen doll with hair and white boots (Majorette) size ten and a half; a doll sink and doll kiddie car. Also, fruit, nuts and candy and firecrackers. I am five years old. Don't forget mother and daddy and sister. Please don't forget the other little boys and girls. Mary Kay McCullough.

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Dear Santa Claus: I am nine nears old. Will you please bring me a doll and doll dresser and doll bed and please don't forget my brother, Leon, at Camp Crowder, Missouri. Our friend, Louise Hand.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Once more it is our pleasure to extend the compliments of the Yuletide Season to our host of friends in this community. It is a very pleasant and cheerful custom to renew these associations — that's why we await Christmas time with eager anticipation.

You have been good to us—may old Santa be just as good to you.

McKINNEY THEATRE COMPANY, Inc.

RITZ — TEXAS — STATE

R. L. Brockman, Manager
Clara Hardin
Frank Tittle
Jack Leonard
Kathleen Hamilton
J. H. Wells
Hazel Kindle
Robert Hayes
Roy E. Brockman
Mary Browne
Ralph Hayes
Joe Snider
R. E. Hamilton
Deb Travillion
Virgil Deal
Bennie Green
Joe Ben Fry
Charlie Braswell
Paul Skelton
Charles Self
Gladys Hardin
Major Dixon
Olin Mack

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

Above all other things in our memory at this glad Yuletide is the thought of the splendid relations with friends of this organization who have made it possible for us to enjoy a very satisfactory year.

The warm spirit of the Holiday occasion reminds us that in our friends, not in our ledgers, do we find our real assets. There are many things that make us thankful this is our home, and for that reason we desire to extend Season's Greetings.

Please accept the kind wishes and sincere thanks of all of us. Best wishes for a Joyous Christmas and a New Year of much happiness, Good Health and Success for you and yours.

Betty Jane Frocks

HERMAN WOLFERT, Owner

MERRY CHRISTMAS

To Our Loyal Customers

May your every wish come true — in this coming year and those following.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

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GEO. H. JONES
"Making Loans to Good People"
Phone 618

to wish YOU a Joyous Christmas and a Happy New Year

From a firm that has enjoyed serving you in the past, and which is desirous of continuing the pleasant associations of our friends in the future.

Collin County Motor Co.

Ford

McKinney Texas

APPRECIATING to the fullest extent the cordial relations existing between us in the past, we take this opportunity to cordially wish you an old fashioned

Merry Christmas

May the Happiness and Good Cheer which we hope is yours this Christmas never cease in the days to come, and may the New Year bring each of you the Prosperity, Health and Real Happiness you so much deserve.

BEST WISHES for the Best Day of the Year

McKinney Sewerage Co.

McKinney High Organizations Give Program

The McKinney High School Band, the Choral Club and the Curtain Club united in presenting a Christmas program in the Walter B. Wilson Auditorium Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. This is an annual program presented by these High School units and always draws a large crowd. The auditorium was filled to capacity for this event.

The program included the "New Testament Christmas Story" by Miss Verna Beth Eddins after which Rev. Earl J. Patton gave the invocation. The band played a "Christmas March" after which a group of songs including 'Christmas hymn," "Panis Angelious," "Jesus Is Born" and "Carol of the Russian Children" were sung by the girls chorus.

The play "A Christmas Carol," which is a dramatic version of Charle sDickens' Christmas story, was presented by the Curtain Club with Miss Eddins as reader. The secenery and lighted efects were most impressive and each character acted his part to perfection.

The program was continued with songs by the unior choir, a mixed chorus, as well as the Choral Club. The High school and also interspersed the program with numerous selections in keeping with the ocacsion.

Prof. Stewart ernigan is director of the bank while Prof. J. Y. Gates directed the Curtain Club. Miss Mary Jo Hamilton was in charge of the Choral Club and special choruses and Mrs. Paul Wilson was pianist for the evening.

Mrs. John A. White Gives Program At Lions Club In City

Mrs. John A. White of Washington, D. C., presented a most enjoyable musical program to the Lions Club at the regular meeting Wednesday which was held at the First Christian Church. The ladies of that church served the delectable lunch after which the program was turned over to C. J. Hicks and Cliff Goggans. Dr. Hicks presided, presenting the honor guest .

Mrs White is the wife of Dr. White, who is a medical director for the railroads coming into Washington. She was Miss Margaret Penn of Sherman before her marirage, being a niece of W .K. Penn of this city. She is an accomplished musician and has composed and had published numerous numbers of her own. She graduated from Kidd Key College in Sherman and later received her degree in music from Southern Methodist University, in Dallas. Mrs. White's reputation as a composer is known and in recent months she has been engaged, in war work being a member of the Stage Door Canteen in Washington and has been entertaining in U. S. O. clubs at several places.

For her program before the Lions club this week she played "Polish Waltz" and several of her own compositions including "Victory Singing," "Let's Go America," etc. She has written twelve war songs, several of which have been published.

While in the city Mrs. White is the guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Penn. She also has numerous friends here who she has known since her girlhood.

Guests other than Mrs. White at the club Wednesday were Mr. and Mrs. Penn, Mrs. C. J. Hicks and A. M. Bray of Dallas.

The club will not meet next week ,adjourning for the holidays. The next meeting will be held December 30 at the First Methodist Church when R. E. Hoover and Leeton Hillis will arrange a program.

Army Hospital At Longview Is Dedicated

Harmon General Hospital at Longview, was dedicated Tuesday afternoon in a ceremony with Major General Richard Donovan, commanding the Eighth Service Command, Dallas, and Dr. B. F. Pittenger, Dean of the Graduate School of the University of Texas, as speakers. Honor guests at the ceremony were the wife of the late Col. Daniel Warwick Harmon, for whom the hospital is named, and Charles Harmon, brother of Colonel Harmon.

Col. G. V. Emerson, commanding Officer at Harmon General Hospital, accepted the Hospital. The Camp Livingston, Louisiana, Band provided music. The hospital and grounds were open to the public, which thronged the grounds from 1:30 to 6 o'clock.

Figures on the enlisted personnel of the hospital are restricted but Lieutenant Colonel Otto Churney arrived a few days ago in command of several hundred members of a training unit to be assigned to the hospital, and the Nurse Corps is commanded by Captain Edna M. Rockefellow.

Opening ceremonies were held at the Longview Servicemen's Center from 10 a. m. to 10 p. m. Tuesday. The annual Chamber of Commerce banquet was held at 8 p. m. at the community center with General Donovan as speaker.

Our classified ads are result-getters.

Leon Applebee, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Applebee of the Cottage Hill community, has been transferred from Aberdeen, Md., to a camp in California, which is located on the grounds formerly used as the Santa Anita race track. He said that it was the site which had until recently been used to house the Japanese and was a very nice place indeed. His brother, Sergeant Neville Applebee is stationed at Orlando, Fla.

J. T. Lewis, successful farmer of the Parker community, was in McKinney Monday and favored us with his subscription to the Weekly Democrat-Gazette for which he will please accept our thanks

Miss Jane Brockman has arrived home from State University at Austin to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brockman.

Rodney McLeod, Wife Parents Of Baby Daughter

Friends in McKinney are receiving announcements of the arrival of Rebecca Eileen McLeod, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney McLeod of Conroe, Texas. The little miss made her arrival December 11.

The announcement is of interest to many friends in McKinney where the young parents formerly lived. Mrs. McLeod is the former Frances Reeder, whose parents resides in the Southeastern part of the county. She is a graduate of the Boyd High School. The young father is the son of former County Clerk R. C. McLeod and wife, who now reside on Route 1, McKinney.

The happy parents have the congratulations of a host of friends here upon the arrival of their little daughter.

W. L. Applebee, for many years a reader of the Daily Courier-Gazette, called by our office Saturday and renewed his paper several months longer. Mr. Applebee is a substantial farmer residing in the Rhea's Mill community and has long been a friend of this editor.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Snider of Blythe's Chapel were McKinney visitors Thursday.

Mrs. J. J. Nash and Mrs. Smi Roberts of the Foote communi were in the city Wednesday.

A Friendly Greeting
TO YOU
Our Friends and Customers

It's the Season to be friendly, Happy, and contented . . . may this be your experience this Christmas and every Christmas.

WOODS CAFE
McKinney, Texas

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

AMONG THE GOOD THINGS BESTOWED BY THE PASSING YEAR, OUR MOST VALUED ONE IS THE FRIENDSHIP AND GOOD WILL OF THOSE WE SERVE

IT IS A PRIVILEGE, AT THIS HAPPY SEASON, TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION AND TO WISH YOU ALL THE JOYS OF THE YULETIDE SEASON

KEVER FURNITURE CO
A. T. KEVER, Prop.

To our faithful old friends and our cherished new friends, we say

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

May the New Year be a happy and thriving one for you, and may it be our privilege to add to its success.

CITY AUTO PARTS CO.
WARD WORTHY
NEVILLE TALKINGTON
Across From City Coliseum
Corner Chestnut and Davis
McKinney, Texas

Christmas Wishes

Every good wish for your happiness at this joyous Christmas Season.

We have enjoyed the past year with you and are appreciative of your consideration.

Wilson Shoe Store

A MERRY CHRISTMAS

It's Christmas, and with its coming we welcome the fine spirit of friendliness that goes with it, and are desirous of sending this Greeting to all those we serve and those whom we hope to serve.

CABELL'S INC.
McKinney, Texas

"For unto us a Child is born,
Unto us a Son is given."
Isaiah 9:6

May the Light of Happiness
Shine for You on Christmas Day
And Throughout the New Year

GEO. W. JAMES
HARDWARE — IMPLEMENTS

Hang up the Old Sock

—And we'll take great delight in filling it full of good wishes for you and yours. As we do so, we pledge continued effort on our part to merit your good will in the years to come.

SMITH BROS.
Grocery — Market

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

MAY THE JOYS OF THE CHRISTMAS SEASON REMAIN WITH YOU THROUGHOUT THE COMING YEAR

T. S. (RED) HAND
Deputy Tax Collector

THE
YULETIDE SEASON
BRINGS A
JOYOUS GREETING
TO ALL OUR CUSTOMERS

In this most cordial of holidays, when joy prevails everywhere, may we bring a message of Good Cheer to each of you. and express a sincere wish that the coming year holds the realization of your fondest hopes and ambitions.

MIDWAY CAFE
West Side Square
Tom Capps Frieda Simerly

THE SEASON OF
GOOD CHEER

Finds us again eagerly awaiting the opportunity of expressing a warm and friendly GREETING to our hosts of friends in the community which it is our privilege to serve.

It is our sincere wish that we may continue those fine relationships that have come our way.

Sincere good wishes for a Joyful Christmas and . . .

A HAPPY NEW YEAR

GULF OIL CORPORATION
BILL DAY'S SERVICE STATION
BROWN'S HATTER & TAILOR
M. C. JOHNSON

Defense Guard, And Women's Unit Hear Army Majors

An enjoyable occasion was the banquet of Company "D" 40th Battalion, Texas Defense Guard, held in the parlors of the First Methodist Church here Thursday evening at 7 o'clock. The Woman's Defense Corps were guests for the evening.

Honor guests and speakers for the program were Major John T. Nall of Sherman and Major H. E. Roberts of Austin, while several others had part in the evening's entertainment.

Long tables were arranged in the spacious banquet hall, where Yuletide decorations were used effectively. White Christmas trees and potted poinsettias were placed at intervals along the tables. A delicious Chicken spaghetti supper was served to over a hundred members and guests by the ladies of the church.

Capt. Add G. Wilson of the Defense Guard here arranged the program which was opened with the entire group singing "God Bless America." W. Hammond Moore lead the song while Mrs. Gibson Caldwell was accompanist at the piano. Sergeant C. M. Cooper gave the invocation.

Several musical treats were enjoyed including selections by the High School girls trio in charge of Miss Mary Jo Hamilton. These young ladies, Misses Gwen Wright, [illegible] Neilson and Tommie Baugh, sang peppy popular tunes, dedicating some of them to members of the Defense Guard. Doris Jean Standley gave a Christmas reading and Troy Randles beautifully whistled two tunes. "When the Lights Go On Again All Over the World" was the song which delighted the guests and was beautifully sung by Miss Annie Lois Watkins, Troy Randles and Paul Ray Lewis.

The feature of the program were the addresses by Major Nall, who is Commander of the 40th Battalion of the Texas Defense Guard, with headquarters in Sherman, and Major Roberts of the Adjutant General's department at Austin. Both brought inspiring messages. Capt. Wilson and Capt. Alice Talkington of the Women's unit, as well as several others made brief remarks.

The evening's festivities ended with the Christmas tree when gifts were presented to members of Co. "D" and the Women's Corps.

Lieut. V. S. Baugh Enjoys Furlough In This County

Lieutenant V. S. Baugh, former Collin County school teacher, is home on ten days furlough. He entered the service of his country in June of this year. He has been in Officers Training School at Fort Belvoir, Virginia. This school trains for Engineer Officers. Lieutenant Baugh completed fifty-two courses in all phases of Engineering and received Second Lieutenant Commission. He will leave Monday for active duty at Claiborne, La. He is an affable gentleman, pleasant, with which to have business dealings. The McKinney Realty Company composed of Messrs. Perkins and Blackwell handled a land deal for him just previous to his entry into the service of his country.

He married Miss Annie Pearl Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Will Moore, of the Fitzhugh Mills community. They have one little son, Jarod Lee. Mrs. Baugh spent two and a half months in Washington, D. C., while her husband was in training there.

Miss Dorothy Bates Is Member Of The WAACS

Miss Dorothy H. Bates, 21, [illegible] N. Lancaster, Dallas, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Bates of McKinney, has qualified in Dallas as an auxiliary in the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, says Col. Claude K. Rhinehart, District Recruiting Officer.

In 1940 Miss Bates received the Veterans of Foreign Wars medal for citizenship after having been voted most popular and best all-round girl by fellow students at McKinney Boyd High School.

"My ambition is to do all that's possible to help win the war, and I feel I can do more in the WAAC," Miss Bates told Colonel Rhinehart.

LLOYD HURT NAMED SCOUTMASTER.

Troop 304, sponsored by the [illegible] Memorial Baptist Church, and whose leadership is made up mostly of employes of the Texas Textile Mill, has as its new Scoutmaster, Lloyd Hurt, according to Rev. W. S. Milton, Pastor.

The new leader will take charge of the Troop's meeting Monday night, it was announced, and old members as well as prospective Scouts are invited to get in touch with the new Scoutmaster for details on new operation of [illegible].

Mrs. Amy Culwell has been informed that her grandson, Staff Sergeant T. D. Harris, formerly of [illegible], is now in Africa. He [illegible] a mechanical division of [illegible] air force and has been [illegible] since summer.

Information Is Given To Ladies About the WAACS

Old Army recruiting sergeants are going to have to learn some new answers to satisfy the questions of women contemplating an abrupt-about face into Army life.

If you don't believe it, ask Col. Claude K. Rhinehart, the Army's district recruiting officer, who is charged with all recruiting for the Women's Army Auxiliary Corps in North Texas.

Men have known for thousands of years, almost instinctively ,about all the little personal changes they must make when joining armies.

Not so women, Colonel Rhinehart has discovered through his many assistants. Military service to women is new and completely strange. Every item is doubtful, and they want to know all the answers before they take the plunge.

Army recruiters are learning to assure women that they will not have to cut off long, precious locks; that they may wear unobstructive rings like wedding rings (no showy stones); that they may use lipstick and other cosemtics in moderation; that they may have dates with anyone they choose, as long as they do not violate regulations of the post to which they are attached.

They are learning to explain, however, that when in uniform, long hair must be either pinned or braided so as to be kept above the collar line.

A great many women wish to know if they may smoke in the WAAC. The answer is yes. Applicants also ask if they must remain constantly in uniform. To this the answer is no. When off duty, Waacs may dress in civilian clothing and be just as feminine as they like.

Women are, of course, highly interested in the fitting of the uniforms issued, and in the number and quality of garments. It is a good thing for the current WAAC recruiting drive that recruiters can assure them that every care is taken to see that they are fitted trimly and neatly, and that every bit of equipment is of fine quality.

Any number want to know about nail polish. May it be "loud"? Well, not too much so.

They are particularly anxious about social affairs provided and sponsored by the Corps. The answer is this one is weekly dances, frequent appearance of big-time shows, camp movies and all types of game equipment in the recreation rooms .

Hhere are some other typical samples:

May I take my radio or electric phonograph with me? Yes, if it's not too big. There are electrical outlets, however, only in the recreation rooms.

What will determine promotions? Your own ability and performance. Every Waac has an equal opportunity.

Will I be sent overseas? Not unless you request overseas duty, which 90 per cent of the Waacs have. If you do request it, military needs will control.

What is the meaning of the woman's head insigna worn by Waacs It represents Pallas Athena, the Greek goddess of victory and wisdom.

Will I continue to receive allotments from my husband who is in the service? Yes.

After I am sworn in, can I get out of the WAAC in case of need? Yes, in case of emergency the Secretary of War may discharge any member of the WAAC for "cause, disability, or for the convenience of the Government." But may not be discharged just because you get homesick. There is a serious business.

For further information see Miss Leta Bell at the Central National Bank or Sergeant Warren Kitrell, who is there each Friday morning.

John Frank Cox Of Anna Passes In City Hospital

John Frank Cox, 65, died Friday morning in the McKinney City Hospital here after several weeks' illness. Funeral services held Saturday afternoon at at 3 o'clock at the Christian Church in Anna, conducted by Rev. Lloyd Motley of Van Alstyne. Burial will be in the Van Alstyne Cemetery with the Crouch-Moore Funeral Home of this city in charge.

Active pallbearers were Oran Lair, Walter Strother, C. W. Geer, Varley Giles, Laud Rattan and Henry Hynds.

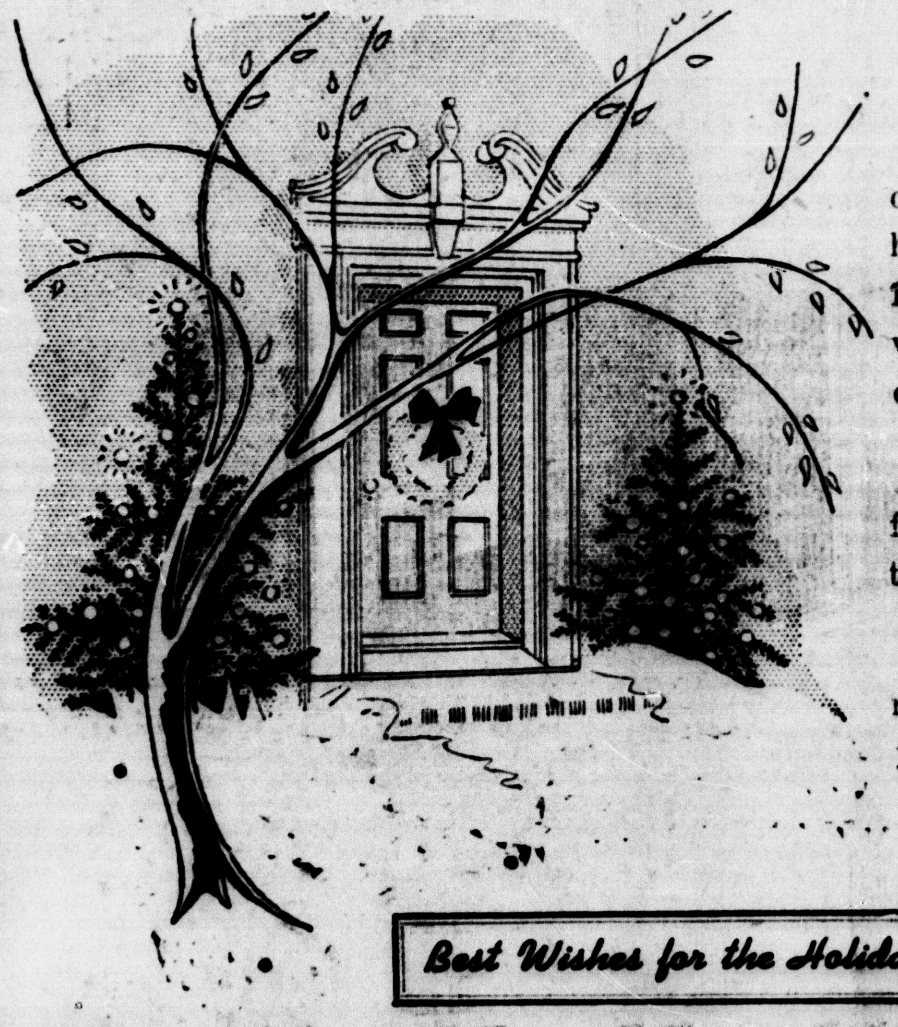
Mr. Cox was born March 21, 1877. He was a prominent resident of Anna owning extensive farm land in that section of the county. He also operated a gin at Westminster.

Surviving are his wife, and a son R. E. Cox of Dallas; two grandchildren, Ralph Frank Cox and Marcille Cox of Dallas and the following brothers and sisters: G. L. Cox of Oklahoma City; J. Cox of Faxon, Oklahoma; Miss Cora Cox, Mrs. R. B. Rosamond of Alla; Mrs. Rheo Murphy and Mrs. R. M. Ellis, of Royse City, and Mrs. J. H. Young of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Eli Keys, 1213 East Greenville Street, are rejoicing over the arrival of a baby boy born to them Thursday morning at 6:40 o'clock. They named the new comer Joe Owner. Mrs. Keyes is the former Miss Inis Reeder. She and her baby are both doing nicely.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

LOOKING FORWARD AT CHRISTMASTIME



With the splendid remembrances of the harmonious associations we have had with our many good friends in this area during the past, we look forward to a continuance of them in the future.

We sincerely hope that these friendships have been as pleasant to you as they have been to us.

May this be your happiest Christmas and may the New Year bring you some new joy for each day.

Best Wishes for the Holiday Season

Crouch-Moore Funeral Home
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